











# **COMPANY PROFILE**

Tanger's commitment to creating the ultimate customer experience in outlet shopping began in 1981 when our founder, Stanley K. Tanger, created Tanger Outlet Centers and pioneered the dynamic outlet industry. Today, Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. is one of the largest owners and developers of outlet shopping centers in the United States and Canada.

Tanger Outlets currently owns or has an ownership interest in a portfolio of 43 upscale outlet centers in 26 states and Canada, in close proximity to interstate highways and near vacation and resort destinations. The portfolio represents 12.9 million square feet of the top brand retailers and manufacturers in the United States and Canada. Tanger's outlet shopping destinations welcome more than 180 million shoppers each year.

Tanger is headquartered in Greensboro, North Carolina and is a self-administered, self-managed real estate investment trust focused on the acquisition, development, leasing and management of upscale outlet shopping centers. The Company became the first publicly held outlet center developer in May 1993. Tanger will celebrate 20 years as a publicly traded company, with Tanger shares proudly traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol SKT.

As the leading outlet center developer, Tanger specializes in providing innovative retail development and management solutions to our clients and partners. We deliver an entrepreneurial approach and creative thinking. North American in scope, we possess unparalleled experience in developing, merchandising, leasing and operating upscale outlet centers.

For 32 years, we have demonstrated integrity and earned our reputation one success at a time. Tanger has a vision and a conservative strategic plan, which is innovative and achievable. We build and maintain strong relationships with premier retail entities that meet the needs of the consumer. These core initiatives are designed with the primary objective of delivering long-term value to our shareholders.

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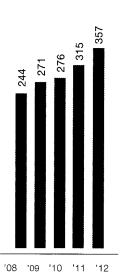
# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(In thousands, except per share and percent data)

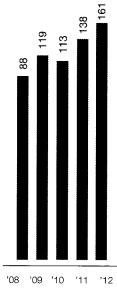
FOR THE YEAR	2012	2011	% CHANGE
Total revenues	\$356,997	\$315,223	+13
Operating income	\$109,585	\$97,936	+12
Funds from operations (1)	\$160,879	\$138,462	+16
Dividends and distributions	\$81,834	\$ <i>7</i> 6,031	+8
Average common shares outstanding (2)	98,605	96,021	+3
Average sales per square foot	\$376	\$366	+3
PER SHARE			
Funds from operations available to common shareholders (1)	\$1.63	\$1.44	+13
Dividends (3)	\$0.8300	\$0.7938	+5
Dividend payout ratio (4)	51%	55%	-7
AT YEAR-END			
Real estate assets, before depreciation	\$1,947,352	\$1,916,045	+2
Total assets	\$1,672,425	\$1,621,815	+3
Common shares outstanding	94,061	86,728	+8
Square feet			
Consolidated	10,737	10,724	-
Partially-owned	2,156	1,110	+94
Occupancy rate (5)	98.9%	98.8%	-

<sup>[1]</sup> Funds from operations is defined as net income (loss) available to common shareholders before extraordinary items and gains (losses) on sale or disposal of depreciable operating properties, plus depreciation and amortization uniquely significant to real estate, impairment losses on depreciable real estate of consolidated real estate and after adjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and joint ventures.

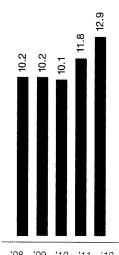
- (3) Represents per share amounts to common shareholders.
- (4) Annual dividends and distributions as a percent of funds from operations available to common shareholders for such year.
- (5) Represents occupancy at consolidated, stabilized centers.



TOTAL REVENUE (in millions of dollars)



FUNDS FROM OPERATIONS (1) (in millions of dollars)



'08 '09 '10 '11 '12 SQUARE FEET (in millions)

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes the dilutive effect of options, notional units and exchangeable notes and assumes the partnership units of the Operating Partnership held by the noncontrolling interests are converted to common shares of the Company.











**STEVEN B. TANGER**PRESIDENT &
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

# A MESSAGE TO OUR SHAREHOLDERS

In 2012, the strength of the Tanger brand and its loyal following of bargain-hunting, brand-seeking shoppers continued to drive tenant demand for space in our outlet centers. Retail distribution continues to thrive in the outlet space, which is the most profitable channel for most retailers. The old adage is true. In good times people love a bargain and in tough times people need a bargain. Today's value-oriented consumer shops at Tanger Outlet Centers for great deals on top brands in an upscale shopping environment in 26 states and in Canada.

Stakeholders were rewarded with another great year in 2012. We set several records during the year, all of which point to the continued popularity of Tanger Outlet Centers. At year-end, occupancy within our consolidated portfolio was 98.9%, marking our 32nd consecutive year-end with occupancy of 95% or greater. Same center net operating income increased 6% in 2012. The fourth quarter of 2012 marked our 32nd consecutive quarter of same center net operating income growth, dating back to 2005 when we first began tracking this metric. Our year-end debt to total market capitalization rate was only 24.4%. Each of these data points is best in class for the mall sector in 2012.

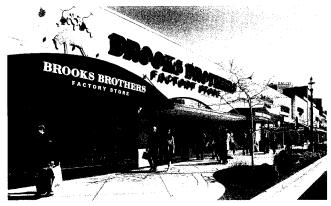
Our company generated a 19.8% total return to shareholders in 2012, topping both the NAREIT All Equity REIT Index and the S&P 500. As of December 31, 2012, Tanger ranked #2 among all mall REITs in total return to shareholders in both the 5 and 10-year categories, with cumulative total shareholder returns of 117% and 584%, respectively. Obviously, this is a tough act to follow, but I am convinced that our team of seasoned professionals, our portfolio, our pipeline for growth, and our fortress balance sheet have us poised for continued success.

At Tanger Outlets, our ability to innovate has allowed us to remain at the forefront of the evolution and growth of this industry that we pioneered. Since we opened our first outlet shopping center in 1981, the outlet shopping environment has changed dramatically. In the beginning, outlets were a relatively bare bones clearance vehicle for tenants to rid themselves of returned merchandise and irregulars. The outlet industry has evolved into an upscale, profitable channel of distribution featuring the latest fashions, accessories, and other first quality brand name merchandise at a significant savings.

Over time, outlet centers have moved closer in to major metropolitan markets, and have become larger and more aesthetically appealing. Loyal outlet shoppers also enjoy the architectural features and other shopping amenities. We have adapted to market conditions, enabling us to achieve our goals for the growth of Tanger Outlets and to maintain our leadership position in the market with a reputation as a first choice partner.

Our proven track record and access to capital have allowed us to seize opportunities that others could not. Competition in outlet center development became intense during 2011 and 2012. Yet, during this two year period, our overall footprint expanded by approximately 27% and our total market capitalization increased approximately 45%.

# A LETTER TO OUR SHAREHOLDERS









We pride ourselves on the lasting relationships, based on mutual trust and respect, that we have been able to build during the last 32 years with our more than 460 retail partners. These relationships have allowed us to provide our 180 million annual shoppers with more than 2,700 of the most popular brand names and designer outlet stores.

Our tenant relationships, industry expertise in selecting the best development sites and navigating the land permitting and entitlement process, our ongoing interaction with our large base of loyal shoppers, our operational and customer service excellence, and a fortress balance sheet, have provided a true competitive advantage. As a result, we have been able to effectively negotiate land option contracts, acquisition agreements,

or joint venture arrangements that have provided us ownership interests in the best properties or development sites in several competitive markets.

We will partner with others when strategically rational. By partnering, we have been able to reduce risk by securing the most desirable locations, expediting leasing and development, more efficiently allocating capital and human resources, and achieving our targeted development yields.

We continue to actively pursue our strategy for sustained, long-term growth. Our experience, knowledge and business savvy provide the foundation necessary for Tanger to continue being a leader in this growing industry for many years to come.

# FINANCIAL RESULTS

Based upon our long history of successfully managing this business, we know that a strong balance sheet and access to capital is crucial. In February 2012, we completed a \$250 million unsecured 7-year bank term loan financing. Proceeds were used to repay a portion of our line borrowings, thus increasing our liquidity. More cost effective than a comparable public bond offering, the facility is currently priced at 180 basis points spread over LIBOR. Financial covenants of this loan are identical to those contained in our unsecured lines of credit. Any upgrade in Tanger's credit rating by either Moody's or Standard & Poor's would result in a reduction of the spread over LIBOR, thus reducing the overall borrowing rate on both the term loan and our lines of credit.

We subscribe to the philosophy that low leverage over time results in higher returns to our shareholders. Our balance sheet strategy has always been conservative. As of December 31, 2012, approximately 61% of our debt was at fixed rates, our consolidated portfolio of properties was 90% unencumbered in terms of gross book value, and we had no significant debt maturities until November of 2015. We had \$341.7 million, or 66%, unused capacity under our unsecured lines of credit, our total market

capitalization at December 31, 2012 was approximately \$4.5 billion and our debt to total market capitalization was approximately 24%. We also maintained strong interest coverage throughout the year with an interest coverage ratio of 4.18 times at year end.

As for our 2012 financial results, funds from operations (FFO) for the year increased 13% to \$1.63 per share compared to \$1.44 per share last year. Our adjusted FFO, which is FFO adjusted to eliminate certain items that we believe are not indicative of our on-going operating performance, increased 14.9% to \$162.4 million in 2012 compared to \$141.3 million in 2011. On a per share basis, adjusted FFO increased 12% to \$1.65 per share in 2012 compared to \$1.47 in 2011. This year over year increase in adjusted FFO was driven by our ability to increase rental rates on renewals and released space, and by incremental FFO from properties developed or acquired during 2012 and 2011.

As a result of this continued growth in operations, we raised our dividend by 5% in 2012. This marked the 19th consecutive annual dividend increase since becoming a public company. We have always paid 100% of our dividend in cash. Our FFO payout ratio for the year was approximately 51% and our funds available for distribution payout ratio was 56%. At these levels, our dividend is well covered. We expect to continue to generate incremental cash flow over our dividend, which we plan to use to help fund our new developments and to reduce amounts outstanding on our lines of credit.

# **OPERATING PERFORMANCE**

For the year, same-center net operating income (NOI) growth was 6.0%, on top of growth in 2011 of 5.3%. Driving our continued NOI growth were the continued positive rent spreads that we achieved in 2012. During the year, we executed approximately 85% of the 1.8 million square feet of leases that came up for renewal throughout our consolidated portfolio, with an average

increase of 16.3%. Approximately 137,000 square feet of the space not renewed with the existing tenant was at our option, allowing us to upgrade our tenant mix or expand existing tenants' stores at a number of locations.

We also re-tenanted 450,000 square feet during the year at an average increase in base rent of 54.1% over the rent that was being paid by the previous tenant.

Reported tenant comparable sales within our consolidated portfolio increased to \$376 per square foot for the rolling twelve months ended December 2012, up from \$366 per square foot in 2011. Our tenants' average cost of occupancy for 2012 was 8.4% of average tenant sales, which means stores in Tanger Outlet Centers are very profitable for our tenants. The low occupancy cost of our tenants should continue to provide us the opportunity to raise rental rates on the releasing and renewal of space over time, while continuing to provide a highly profitable distribution channel for our tenants.

The vast majority of our revenues come from contractual fixed rents. Percentage rents, which are paid by tenants once their total sales exceed certain levels, along with vending income and other miscellaneous income represented approximately 10% of our total revenues during 2012. This means that approximately 90% of our total revenue was derived from contractual fixed base rents and tenant expense reimbursements. In addition, no single tenant accounted for more than 7.9% of our leasable square feet or 6.4% of our base and percentage rents. Most of our tenants have strong balance sheets and are not encumbered by excess debt.













# NEWLY DEVELOPED CENTERS

In October 2012, we opened Tanger Outlets Texas City, located approximately 30 miles south of Houston and 20 miles north of Galveston on the highly traveled Interstate 45, off Exit 17. The 353,000 square foot center opened 97% leased and has been well received by shoppers and tenants. The location draws both residents of the Houston metro area, and vacationers of Galveston, a popular Gulf Coast getaway destination with 32 miles of beaches, restaurants, and top resort hotels, attracting over 5 million visitors each year. Tanger owns a 50% interest in the \$66.5 million project, which features over 85 brand name and designer outlet stores.

In November 2012 in the Phoenix market, we opened Tanger Outlets Westgate, just in time for the holiday

shopping season. The 332,000 square foot center opened 92% leased and is located in Glendale, Arizona on the Loop 101 and Glendale Avenue, adjacent to Westgate City Center; Jobing.com Arena, home of the NHL's Phoenix Coyotes; University of Phoenix stadium, home of the NFL's Arizona Cardinals; Cabela's and The Renaissance Glendale Hotel and Spa. Tanger owns an approximately 58% interest in the \$79.1 million project, which features over 80 brand name and designer outlet stores.

Our development pipeline is more robust than at any other time in the history of our company. For 2013, we plan to open one new Tanger Outlet Center and expand three of our existing centers. Construction of Tanger Outlets National Harbor commenced in November 2012, in the Washington, D.C metro area. The nation's capital welcomes approximately 33 million tourist visitors annually. The center is being constructed on the Potomac River in Prince George's County, Maryland, within the National Harbor waterfront resort, and is accessible from I-95, I-295, I-495, and the Woodrow Wilson Bridge. Tanger owns a 50% interest in the project, which upon completion will contain approximately 340,000 square feet. We expect to open in time for the 2013 holiday shopping season. We also plan to complete small expansions during 2013 of our existing outlet centers in Gonzales, Louisiana; Park City, Utah: and Sevierville. Tennessee.

We are continuing preleasing and entitlement work on our named predevelopment sites. Domestic sites include the Charlotte, North Carolina market; Foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, Connecticut; the Columbus, Ohio market and Scottsdale, Arizona, east of Phoenix. In Canada, our predevelopment sites include a ground up development project in Kanata, located in the Ottawa market, and expansions of two of our successful existing centers. We own a 50% interest in all of our Canadian projects.

In addition to the projects that are under way or in the predevelopment phase, we have built a shadow pipeline of potential new developments throughout the United States and Canada to meet the continued tenant demand for new outlet shopping centers. All of these sites are in markets that are either not served or under served by the outlet industry. Based on the relatively small

size of our industry, around 55 million square feet in the United States compared to around a billion square feet of regional mall space, and the limited number of US-style outlet shopping options in Canada, we believe we have a long runway for growth.

# **NEWLY ACQUIRED CENTERS**

Accelerating our Canadian expansion initiative, we and our Canadian partner acquired two small existing outlet centers in the Montreal, Quebec market in November 2012. The aggregate total purchase price was proximately \$94.8 million, including the assumption of in place financing of \$18.7 million. Both properties are located in tourist markets. Les Factoreries Saint-Sauveur is located approximately 35 miles northwest of Montreal adjacent to Highway 15 in the town of Saint-Sauveur, Quebec and contains approximately 116,000 square feet with the potential to expand the center to 136,000 square feet. Bromont Outlet Mall is located approximately 50 miles east of Montreal near the eastern townships adjacent to Highway 10 in the town of Bromont, Quebec, and contains approximately 163,000 square feet.

Along with Tanger Outlets Cookstown, which is located north of Toronto and was acquired in December 2011, these properties expand the Tanger Outlets Canadian footprint into multiple markets. These assets will benefit from the Tangerization process, as we rebrand them under the Tanger flag and implement our marketing and operational programs. Over time, we expect to add value to these centers by expanding them and to improving the tenant mix of the existing space with more high volume brands and designers as in place leases expire.

The value proposition is embedded in the lifestyle of today's consumer, and outlets are the destination of choice for branded apparel.

We plan to continue to thoughtfully use our resources and to maintain a conservative financial position. Our solid balance sheet, with no significant upcoming debt maturities until November 2015, puts us in a strong position going into 2013.

Our Executive Leadership Team is ready and able to execute our strategy to maximize profitability and is prepared for the opportunities that lie ahead. As the leader of your management team and as a major stakeholder of your company, I am proud to work with such a talented group of Tanger professionals. We are advised by a dedicated Board of Directors with keen business insight that helps keep us focused on long-term results. Collectively, our top priority is creating shareholder value, and we have the passion to make it happen.

Sincerely.

Steven B. Tanger

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President and Chief Executive Officer

# **OUTLOOK FOR 2013**

We enter the new year with optimism. As we near the twentieth anniversary of our IPO in May 2013, outlet shopping is fashionable and the Tanger Outlets brand continues to garner the respect of shoppers and retailers.







and Glendale Avenue

Between Los Angeles & Las Vegas F15, Exit 178 at Lenwood Road

Westbrook, CT Coastal Resort Area I-95, Exit 65

6 Rehoboth Beach, DE Coastal Resort Area 3 Locations on Delaware's Coastal Highway Route 1

6 Fort Myers, FL Sanibel Island Resort Area I-75, Exit 131 to Summerlin Road

Commerce, GA Between Atlanta & Greenville, SC I-85, Exit 149, Steven B. Tanger Blvd

B Locust Grove, GA Between Atlanta & Macon I-75, Exit 212

Tuscola, IL Between Champaign & Decatur I-57, Exit 212 on Route 36

Williamsburg, IA Between Des Moines & Iowa City I-80, Exit 220

Gonzales, LA Between New Orleans & Baton Rouge

1-10 at Highway 30, Exit 177 Kittery, ME

Coastal Resort Area  $2\ \text{Locations}$ I-95, Exit 3 to Coastal Route 1

Ocean City, MD Route 50 & Golf Course Road 12741 Ocean Gateway

Howell, MI Between Lansing and Detroit 1496 at M-59, Exit 133

West Branch, MI 2 1/2 Hours North of Detroit 1-75, Exit 212

Branson, MQ Ozark Mtn/Lakes Region Resort Area West Highway 76, 2 miles west of US Hwy 65

Tilton, NH Lakes Region Resort Area I-93, Left off Exit 20

Atlantic City, NJ Coastal Resort Area 2014 Baltic Avenue

Deer Park, NY Minutes from Manhattan I-495, LIE Exit 52 on Commack Rd and Grand Boulevard

Riverhead, NY Long Island Resort Area 1-495 East, LIE Exit 72

Blowing Rock, NC Blue Ridge Mountains Resort Area 1/2 Mile South of the Blue Ridge Parkway on US Hwy 321

Mebane, NC Between Raleigh-Durham & Greensboro/Winston-Salem I-40/85, Exit 154

Mags Head, NC Outer Banks Resort Area Highway 158 Bypass at Mile Post 16

Jeffersonville, OH Between Cincinnati & Columbus I-71, Exit 65

Lincoln City, OR Coastal Resort Area Highway 101 at SE East Devils Lake Road

Hershey, PA Hershey Park Resort Area Off PA-743/Hershey Park Drive

Lancaster, PA Amish Country Resort Area Route 30 East

Washington, PA 20 Minutes South of Pittsburgh I-79, Exit 41

Charleston, SC Coastal Resort Area I-26, Exit 213 or 213A

Hilton Head, SC

Hilton Head Island Resort Area I-95, SC Exit 8 onto Highway 278 2 Locations on Highway 278

Myrtle Beach, SC Myrtle Beach Resort Area Highway 17N at Highway 22/ Veterans Highway

Myrtle Beach, SC Myrtle Beach Resort Area Highway 501, 3 Miles West of the Intracoastal Waterway

Sevierville, TN Smoky Mountain Resort Area Highway 441/Parkway at Traffic Lights #13 and #13.1

Galveston/Houston, TX Off I-45 SE of Downtown Houston

San Marcos, TX Between San Antonio and Austin I-35, Exit 200

Terrell, TX 30 Minutes East of Dallas I-20 at Highway 34, Exit 501

Park City, UT Mountain Resort Area I-80, Exit 145, West on Ute Boulevard

CANADA

Cookstown, ON Toronto & Lake Resort Area 3311 Simcoe Rd Hwy 400 at Hwy 89

Bromont, QC 45 miles east of downtown Montreal Bromont Boulevard interchange at Highway 10

Saint Sauveur, QC 37 miles from Montreal 60 off Highway 15 North

**NEW DEVELOPMENTS** AS OF MARCH 2013

Scottsdale, AZ Off the 101 Loop at Indian Bend Road in the heart of Scottsdale

Foxwoods, CT Mashantucket, 50 Miles East of Hartford

National Harbor, MD\* 8 Miles Southeast of Washington, D.C. I-95/495 and I-295

Charlotte, NC 8 miles southwest of uptown Charlotte at the interchange of 1-485 & Steele Creek Rd

Columbus, OH 22 miles north of downtown Columbus & 11 miles north of I-270 at the interchange of I-71 and State Route 36/37

\* Under Construction







# **United States SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

# **FORM 10-K**

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Yes ⊠ No □

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For the fiscal year ended Decemb	per 31, 2012
OR	Washington, DC 20549
TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO S OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT (	SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
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North Carolina (Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.)	56-1815473
North Carolina (Tanger Properties Limited Partnership)	56-1822494
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
3200 Northline Avenue, Suite 360	(336) 292-3010
Greensboro, NC 27408	(Registrant's telephone number)
(Address of principal executive offices)	
Securities registered pursuant to Section 1	2(b) of the Act:
Tanger Factory Outlet Centers,	
Title of each class	Name of exchange on which registered
Common Shares, \$.01 par value	New York Stock Exchange
Tanger Properties Limited Partne	ership:
None	
Securities registered pursuant to Section 1	12(g) of the Act:
Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc	151
Tanger Properties Limited Partnersh	nip: None
Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as o	defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.
Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. Tanger Properties Limited Partnership	Yes ⊠ No □ Yes □ No ⊠
Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant	t to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act.
Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.	Yes □ No ⊠
Tanger Properties Limited Partnership	Yes □ No ⊠
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter p	

reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

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Tanger Factory Outlet Centers,	Inc.		Yes □ No ⊠
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# **Documents Incorporated By Reference**

The number of Common Shares of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. outstanding as of February 1, 2013 was 94,061,984.

Part III incorporates certain information by reference from the Registrant's definitive proxy statement to be filed with respect to the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held May 17, 2013.

# PART I

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This report combines the annual reports on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and Tanger Properties Limited Partnership. Unless the context indicates otherwise, the term, Company, refers to Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and subsidiaries and the term, Operating Partnership, refers to Tanger Properties Limited Partnership and subsidiaries. The terms "we", "our" and "us" refer to the Company or the Company and the Operating Partnership together, as the text requires.

Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and subsidiaries is one of the largest owners and operators of outlet centers in the United States and Canada. The Company is a fully-integrated, self-administered and self-managed real estate investment trust, ("REIT"), which, through its controlling interest in the Operating Partnership, focuses exclusively on developing, acquiring, owning, operating and managing outlet shopping centers. The outlet centers and other assets are held by, and all of the operations are conducted by, the Operating Partnership and its subsidiaries. Accordingly, the descriptions of the business, employees and properties of the Company are also descriptions of the business, employees and properties of the Operating Partnership.

The Company owns the majority of the units of partnership interest issued by the Operating Partnership through its two wholly-owned subsidiaries, Tanger GP Trust and Tanger LP Trust. Tanger GP Trust controls the Operating Partnership as its sole general partner. Tanger LP Trust holds a limited partnership interest. Through May 31, 2011, the Tanger family, through its ownership of the Tanger Family Limited Partnership, held the remaining units as a limited partner. On June 1, 2011, the Tanger Family Limited Partnership was dissolved, and the units of the Operating Partnership owned by the Tanger Family Limited Partnership were distributed to the individual beneficial owners of the Tanger Family Limited Partnership. As a result, each such individual beneficial owner became an individual limited partner of the Operating Partnership (collectively the "Family Limited Partners").

As of December 31, 2012, the Company, through its ownership of Tanger GP Trust and Tanger LP Trust, owned 23,515,346 units of the Operating Partnership and the Family Limited Partners collectively owned 1,190,466 units. Each unit held by Family Limited Partners is exchangeable for four of the Company's common shares, subject to certain limitations to preserve the Company's REIT status. Prior to the Company's 2 for 1 splits of its common shares on December 28, 2004 and January 24, 2011, respectively, the exchange ratio was one for one.

Management operates the Company and the Operating Partnership as one enterprise. The management of the Company consists of the same members as the management of the Operating Partnership. These individuals are officers of the Company and employees of the Operating Partnership. The individuals that comprise the Company's Board of Directors are also the same individuals that make up Tanger GP Trust's Board of Trustees.

We believe combining the annual reports on Form 10-K of the Company and the Operating Partnership into this single report results in the following benefits:

- enhancing investors' understanding of the Company and the Operating Partnership by enabling investors to view the business as a whole in the same manner as management views and operates the business;
- eliminating duplicative disclosure and providing a more streamlined and readable presentation since a substantial portion of the disclosure applies to both the Company and the Operating Partnership; and
- creating time and cost efficiencies through the preparation of one combined report instead of two separate reports.

There are only a few differences between the Company and the Operating Partnership, which are reflected in the disclosure in this report. We believe it is important, however to understand these differences between the Company and the Operating Partnership in the context of how the Company and the Operating Partnership operate as an interrelated consolidated company. As stated above, the Company is a REIT, whose only material asset is its ownership of partnership interests of the Operating Partnership through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, the Tanger GP Trust and Tanger LP Trust. As a result, the Company does not conduct business itself, other than issuing public equity from time to time and incurring expenses required to operate as a public company. However, all operating expenses incurred by the Company are reimbursed by the Operating Partnership, thus the only material item on the Company's income statement is its equity in the earnings of the Operating Partnership. Therefore, the assets and liabilities and the revenues and expenses of the Company and the Operating Partnership are the same on their respective financial statements, except for immaterial differences related to cash, other assets and accrued liabilities that arise from public company expenses paid by the Company. The Company itself does not hold any indebtedness but does quarantee certain debt of the Operating Partnership, as disclosed in this report. The Operating Partnership holds substantially all the assets of the Company and holds the ownership interests in the Company's consolidated and unconsolidated joint ventures. The Operating Partnership conducts the operations of the business and is structured as a partnership with no publicly traded equity. Except for net proceeds from public equity issuances by the Company, which are contributed to the Operating Partnership in exchange for partnership units, the Operating Partnership generates the capital required through its operations, its incurrence of indebtedness or through the issuance of partnership units.

Noncontrolling interests, shareholder's equity and partners' capital are the main areas of difference between the consolidated financial statements of the Company and those of the Operating Partnership. The limited partnership interests in the Operating Partnership held by the Family Limited Partners are accounted for as partners' capital in the Operating Partnership's financial statements and as noncontrolling interests in the Company's financial statements.

To help investors understand the significant differences between the Company and the Operating Partnership, this report presents the following separate sections for each of the Company and the Operating Partnership:

- Consolidated financial statements;
- The following notes to the consolidated financial statements:
  - Debt of the Company and the Operating Partnership;
  - Shareholders' Equity and Partners' Equity;
  - Earnings Per Share and Earnings Per Unit;
  - Share-based Compensation of the Company and Equity-based Compensation of the Operating Partnership;
- Liquidity and Capital Resources in the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

This report also includes separate Item 9A. Controls and Procedures sections and separate Exhibit 31 and 32 certifications for each of the Company and the Operating Partnership in order to establish that the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of each entity have made the requisite certifications and that the Company and Operating Partnership are compliant with Rule 13a-15 or Rule 15d-15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and 18 U.S.C. §1350.

In order to highlight the differences between the Company and the Operating Partnership, the separate sections in this report for the Company and the Operating Partnership specifically refer to the Company and the Operating Partnership. In the sections that combine disclosure of the Company and the Operating Partnership, this report refers to actions or holdings as being actions or holdings of the Company. Although the Operating Partnership is generally the entity that enters into contracts and joint ventures and holds assets and debt, reference to the Company is appropriate because the business is one enterprise and the Company operates the business through the Operating Partnership.

As the 100% owner of Tanger GP Trust, the general partner with control of the Operating Partnership, the Company consolidates the Operating Partnership for financial reporting purposes. The separate discussions of the Company and the Operating Partnership in this report should be read in conjunction with each other to understand the results of the Company on a consolidated basis and how management operates the Company.

#### Item 1. Business

# The Company and the Operating Partnership

Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and subsidiaries is one of the largest owners and operators of outlet centers in the United States and Canada. We are a fully-integrated, self-administered and self-managed REIT, which focuses exclusively on developing, acquiring, owning, operating and managing outlet shopping centers. As of December 31, 2012, we owned and operated 36 outlet centers, with a total gross leasable area of approximately 10.7 million square feet. These outlet centers were 99% occupied and contained over 2,300 stores, representing approximately 400 store brands. We also had partial ownership interests in 7 outlet centers totaling approximately 2.2 million square feet, including 3 outlet centers in Canada.

Our centers and other assets are held by, and all of our operations are conducted by, Tanger Properties Limited Partnership and subsidiaries. The Company owns the majority of the units of partnership interest issued by the Operating Partnership, through its two wholly-owned subsidiaries, Tanger GP Trust and Tanger LP Trust. Tanger GP Trust controls the Operating Partnership as its sole general partner. Tanger LP Trust holds a limited partnership interest. Through May 31, 2011, the Tanger family, through its ownership of the Tanger Family Limited Partnership was dissolved, and the units of the Operating Partnership owned by the Tanger Family Limited Partnership were distributed to the individual Family Limited Partners. As a result, each such Family Limited Partner became an individual limited partner of the Operating Partnership.

As of December 31, 2012, the Company, through its ownership of the Tanger GP and Tanger LP Trusts, owned 23,515,346 units of the Operating Partnership and the Family Limited Partners owned the remaining 1,190,466 units. Each unit held by the Family Limited Partners is exchangeable for four of the Company's common shares, subject to certain limitations to preserve the Company's REIT status.

Ownership of the Company's common shares is restricted to preserve the Company's status as a REIT for federal income tax purposes. Subject to certain exceptions, a person may not actually or constructively own more than 4% of our common shares. We also operate in a manner intended to enable us to preserve our status as a REIT, including, among other things, making distributions with respect to our outstanding common shares equal to at least 90% of our taxable income each year.

The Company is a North Carolina corporation and the Operating Partnership is a North Carolina partnership, and both were formed in 1993. Our executive offices are currently located at 3200 Northline Avenue, Suite 360, Greensboro, North Carolina, 27408 and our telephone number is (336) 292-3010. Our website can be accessed at www.tangeroutlet.com. A copy of our 10-Ks, 10-Qs, 8-Ks and any amendments thereto can be obtained, free of charge, on our website as soon as reasonably practicable after we file such material with, or furnish it to, the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The information found on, or otherwise accessible through, our website is not incorporated into, and does not form a part of, this annual report on Form 10-K or any other report or document we file with or furnish to the SEC.

#### Recent Developments

# Joint Venture Center Openings

#### Galveston/Houston, Texas

In June 2011, we announced the formation of a joint venture for the development of a Tanger Outlet Center south of Houston in Texas City, Texas. The center grand opening occurred on October 19, 2012 and features over 85 brand name and designer outlet stores in the first phase of approximately 353,000 square feet, with room for expansion for a total build out of approximately 470,000 square feet. As of December 31, 2012, we and our partner had each contributed \$35.3 million in cash to the joint venture to fund development activities. We provide property management and marketing services to the center; and with our partner, are jointly providing development and leasing services.

# Westgate, Glendale, Arizona

In May 2012, we formed a joint venture for the development of a Tanger Outlet Center in Glendale, Arizona. The center grand opening occurred on November 15, 2012 and features over 80 brand name and designer outlet stores in the first phase of approximately 332,000 square feet, with room for expansion for a total build out of approximately 410,000 square feet. As of December 31, 2012, we had contributed \$19.4 million in cash to the joint venture to fund development activities. We are providing property management, construction supervision, leasing and marketing services to the joint venture. In June 2012, the joint venture closed on a construction loan with the ability to borrow up to \$48.3 million, which carries an interest rate of LIBOR + 1.75%. As of December 31, 2012, the balance on the construction loan was \$32.0 million.

#### Joint Venture Acquisitions

# RioCan Canadian Joint Venture

In November 2012, through our 50/50 co-ownership agreement with RioCan Real Estate Investment Trust, we acquired two existing outlet centers in the Montreal, Quebec market for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$94.8 million. RioCan is providing development and property management services and we are providing leasing and marketing services. The purchase price includes the assumption of mortgages totaling \$18.7 million at Les Factoreries Saint-Sauveur, which carry a contractual, weighted average interest rate of 5.7% and mature in 2015 and 2020. There is no in-place financing associated with the Bromont Outlet Mall acquisition.

Les Factoreries St. Sauveur, is located northwest of Montreal adjacent to Highway 15 in the town of Saint-Sauveur, Quebec. The property was built in 1980, expanded in 2006, and contains approximately 116,000 square feet with the potential to expand to approximately 131,000 square feet. This outlet center features many national brands such as, Nike, Tommy Hilfiger, Reebok, Guess, Jones New York, Naturalizer and Parasuco.

The Bromont Outlet Mall, is located east of Montreal near the eastern townships adjacent to Highway 10 in the town of Bromont, Quebec. The property was built in 2004, expanded through 2011, and contains approximately 163,000 square feet with the potential to expand to approximately 251,000 square feet. This outlet center features many national brands such as, Point Zero, Tommy Hilfiger, Guess, Puma, Mexx, and Urban Planet. Bromont is located at the base of Mont Brome.

#### Joint Venture Development Update

National Harbor, Washington, D.C. Metro Area

In May 2011, we announced the formation of a joint venture for the development of a Tanger Outlet Center at National Harbor in the Washington, D.C. Metro area. National Harbor includes restaurants, retail, office and residences, and a number of hotels including the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center. The planned Tanger Outlet Center is expected to contain approximately 80 brand name and designer outlet stores in a center measuring up to 340,000 square feet. In November 2012, the joint venture broke ground and began site development. Both parties have made initial equity contributions of \$2.6 million to fund certain pre-development costs. In February 2013, the joint venture executed a term sheet for a three year construction loan with the ability to borrow up to \$61.0 million, which carries an interest rate of LIBOR + 1.65%. The joint venture currently expects to close on the loan by the end of April 2013. We will provide property management, leasing and marketing services to the joint venture; and with our partner, will jointly provide site development and construction supervision services.

# Other Potential Future Developments

As of the date of this filing, we are in the initial study period for potential new developments, including sites located in Charlotte, North Carolina; Columbus, Ohio; Foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, Connecticut; Scottsdale, Arizona; Toronto, Ontario and Ottawa, Ontario. The Charlotte and Columbus sites, if developed, will be undertaken by joint ventures formed with Simon Properties Group. The Ottawa and Toronto sites, if developed, will be undertaken by our RioCan joint venture (see discussion under the caption "RioCan Canadian Joint Venture" in the section titled "Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements"). We may also use joint venture arrangements to develop other potential sites. There can be no assurance, however, that these potential future developments will ultimately be developed.

In the case of projects to be wholly-owned by us, we expect to fund these projects from amounts available under our unsecured lines of credit, but may also fund them with capital from additional public debt and equity offerings. For projects to be developed through joint venture arrangements, we typically use collateralized construction loans to fund a portion of the project, with our share of the equity requirements funded from sources described above.

#### Financing Transactions

#### \$250.0 Million Unsecured Term Loan

In February 2012, the Operating Partnership closed on a seven-year \$250.0 million unsecured term loan. The term loan is interest only, matures in the first quarter of 2019 and is pre-payable without penalty beginning in the first quarter of 2015. Based on our current credit ratings, the loan has an initial interest rate of LIBOR + 1.80%. We used the net proceeds of the term loan to reduce the outstanding balances on our \$520.0 million unsecured lines of credit.

#### William G. Benton Appointed Non-Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors

Effective January 1, 2013, Jack Africk, a board member since 1993, resigned his position as Non-Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors but remains Chairman Emeritus and an active member of the Board of Directors. Also effective January 1, 2013, William G. Benton, who has also been a member of our Board since 1993, replaced Mr. Africk as Non-Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors and Thomas J. Reddin, a board member since 2010, replaced Mr. Benton as Chairman of the Audit Committee.

#### The Outlet Concept

Outlets are stores operated by manufacturers and brand name retailers that sell primarily first quality, branded products to consumers at significant discounts from regular retail prices charged by department stores and specialty stores. Outlet centers offer advantages to manufacturers and brand name retailers as they are often able to charge customers lower prices for brand name and designer products by eliminating the third party retailer. Outlet centers also typically have lower operating costs than other retailing formats, which enhance their profit potential. Outlet centers enable them to optimize the size of production runs while continuing to maintain control of their distribution channels.

We believe that outlet centers will continue to present attractive opportunities for capital investment in the long-term. We further believe, based upon our contacts with present and prospective tenants that many companies will continue to utilize the outlet concept as a profitable distribution vehicle. However, due to present economic conditions and the potential for increased competition from other developers announcing plans to develop outlet centers, new developments or expansions may not provide an initial return on investment as high as has been historically achieved.

#### **Our Outlet Centers**

Each of our outlet centers carries the Tanger brand name. We believe that our tenants and consumers recognize the Tanger brand as one that provides outlet shopping centers where consumers can trust the brand, quality and price of the merchandise they purchase directly from the manufacturers and brand name retailers.

As one of the original participants in this industry, we have developed long-standing relationships with many of our tenants. Because of our established relationships, we believe we are well positioned for the long-term.

Our outlet centers range in size from 24,619 to 729,734 square feet and are typically located at least 10 miles from major department stores and manufacturer-owned, full-price retail stores. Historically, manufacturers prefer these locations so that they do not compete directly with their major customers and their own stores. Many of our outlet centers are located near tourist destinations to attract tourists who consider shopping to be a recreational activity. Additionally, our centers are often situated in close proximity to interstate highways that provide accessibility and visibility to potential customers.

We have a diverse tenant base comprised of approximately 400 different well-known, upscale, national designer or brand name concepts, such as Ann Taylor, Banana Republic, Brooks Brothers, Calvin Klein, Coach Leatherware, Eddie Bauer, GAP, J. Crew, Juicy, Kate Spade, Lucky Brand Jeans, Michael Kors, Nike, Old Navy, Polo Ralph Lauren, Saks Fifth Avenue - Off Fifth, Tommy Hilfiger, Under Armour and others.

No single tenant, including all of its store concepts, accounted for 10% or more of our combined base and percentage rental revenues during 2012, 2011 or 2010. As of December 31, 2012, no single tenant accounted for more than 7.9% of our leasable square feet or 6.4% of our combined base and percentage rental revenues. Because our typical tenant is a large, national manufacturer, we generally do not experience any material losses with respect to rent collections or lease defaults.

Only small portions of our revenues are dependent on contingent revenue sources. Revenues from fixed rents and operating expense reimbursements accounted for approximately 90% of our total revenues in 2012. Revenues from contingent sources, such as percentage rents, vending income and miscellaneous income, accounted for approximately 10% of our total revenues in 2012.

#### **Business History**

Stanley K. Tanger, the Company's founder, entered the outlet center business in 1981. Prior to founding our company, Stanley K. Tanger and his son, Steven B. Tanger, our President and Chief Executive Officer, built and managed a successful family owned apparel manufacturing business, Tanger/Creighton, Inc., which included the operation of five outlet stores. Based on their knowledge of the apparel and retail industries, as well as their experience operating Tanger/Creighton, Inc.'s outlet stores, they recognized that there would be a demand for outlet centers where a number of manufacturers could operate in a single location and attract a large number of shoppers.

Steven B. Tanger joined the Company in 1986, and by June 1993, the Tangers had developed 17 centers totaling approximately 1.5 million square feet. In June 1993, we completed our initial public offering, making Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. the first publicly traded outlet center company. Since our initial public offering, we have grown our portfolio through the strategic development, expansion and acquisition of outlet centers and are now one of the largest owner operators of outlet centers in the United States and Canada.

# **Business Strategy**

Our company has been built on a firm foundation of strong and enduring business relationships coupled with conservative business practices. We partner with many of the world's best known and most respected retailers and manufacturers. By fostering and maintaining strong tenant relationships with these successful, high volume companies, we have been able to solidify our position as a leader in the outlet industry for well over a quarter century. The confidence and trust that we have developed with our retail partners from the very beginning has allowed us to forge the impressive retail alliances that we enjoy today with approximately 400 brand name retailers and manufacturers.

We have had a solid track record of success in the outlet industry for the past 32 years. In 1993, Tanger led the way by becoming the industry's first outlet center company to be publicly traded. Our seasoned team of real estate professionals utilize the knowledge and experience that we have gained to give us a competitive advantage in the outlet business.

As of December 31, 2012, our consolidated outlet centers were 99% occupied with average tenant sales of \$376 per square foot. Our portfolio of properties has had an average occupancy rate of 95% or greater on December 31st of each year since 1981. We believe our ability to achieve this level of performance is a testament to our long-standing tenant relationships, industry experience and our expertise in the development and operation of outlet centers.

## Growth Strategy

Our goal is to build shareholder value through a comprehensive, conservative plan for sustained, long-term growth. We focus our efforts on increasing rents in our existing centers, renovating and expanding our mature centers and reaching new markets through ground-up developments or acquisitions of existing outlet centers. We expect new development to continue to be important to the growth of our portfolio in the long-term. Future centers may be whollyowned by us or developed through joint venture arrangements.

#### Increasing Rents at Existing Centers

Our leasing team focuses on the marketing of available space to maintain our standard for high occupancy levels. Leases are negotiated to provide for inflation-based contractual rent increases or periodic fixed contractual rent increases and percentage rents. Due to the overall high performance of our shopping centers, we have historically been able to renew leases at higher base rents per square-foot and attract stronger, more popular brands to replace underperforming tenants.

#### Developing New Centers

We believe that there continue to be opportunities to introduce the Tanger brand in untapped or under-served markets across the United States and Canada in the long-term. We believe our 32 years of outlet industry experience, extensive development expertise and strong retail relationships give us a distinct competitive advantage.

In order to identify new markets across North America, we follow a general set of guidelines when evaluating opportunities for the development of new centers. This typically includes seeking locations within markets that have at least 1 million people residing within a 30 to 40 mile radius with an average household income of at least \$65,000 per year, frontage on a major interstate or roadway that has excellent visibility and a traffic count of at least 55,000 cars per day. Leading tourist, vacation and resort markets that receive at least 5 million visitors annually are also closely evaluated. Although our current goal is to target sites that are large enough to support centers with approximately 90 stores totaling at least 350,000 square feet, we maintain the flexibility to vary our minimum requirements based on the unique characteristics of a site, tenant demand and our prospects for future growth and success.

In order to help ensure the viability of proceeding with a project, we gauge the interest of our retail partners first. We typically prefer that at least 50% of the space in each center is pre-leased prior to acquiring the site and beginning construction; however, we may occasionally proceed with construction with less than 50% of the space pre-leased under certain circumstances. This pre-leasing policy is consistent with our conservative financing perspective and the discipline we impose upon ourselves. Construction of a new outlet center has typically taken us nine to twelve months from groundbreaking to the opening of the first tenant stores.

# Expanding and Renovating Existing Centers

Keeping our shopping centers vibrant and growing is a key part of our formula for success. In order to maintain our reputation as the premiere outlet shopping destination in the markets that we serve, we have an ongoing program of renovations and expansions taking place at our outlet centers. Construction for expansion and renovation to existing properties typically takes less time, usually between six to nine months depending on the scope of the project.

## Acquiring Centers

As a means of creating a presence in key markets and to create shareholder value, we may selectively choose to acquire individual properties or portfolios of properties that meet our strategic investment criteria. We believe that our extensive experience in the outlet center business, access to capital markets, familiarity with real estate markets and our management experience will allow us to evaluate and execute our acquisition strategy successfully over time. Through our tenant relationships, our leasing professionals have the ability to implement a remerchandising strategy when needed to increase occupancy rates and value. We believe that our managerial skills, marketing expertise and overall outlet industry experience will also allow us to add long-term value and viability to these centers.

# Operating Strategy

Increasing cash flow to enhance the value of our properties and operations remains a primary business objective. Through targeted marketing and operational efficiencies, we strive to improve sales and profitability of our tenants and our outlet centers as a whole. Achieving higher base and percentage rents and generating additional income from temporary leasing, vending and other sources also remains an important focus and goal.

#### Leasing

The long-standing retailer relationships that we enjoy allow us the ability to provide our shoppers with a collection of the world's most popular outlet stores. Tanger customers shop and save on their favorite brand name merchandise including men's, women's and children's ready-to-wear, lifestyle apparel, footwear, jewelry and accessories, tableware, housewares, luggage and domestic goods. In order for our centers to perform at a high level, our leasing professionals continually monitor and evaluate tenant mix, store size, store location and sales performance. They also work to assist our tenants through re-sizing and re-location of retail space within each of our centers for maximum sales of each retail unit across our portfolio.

#### Marketing

Our marketing plans deliver compelling, well-crafted messages and enticing promotions and events to targeted audiences for tangible, meaningful and measurable results. Our plans are based on a basic measure of success increase sales and traffic for our retail partners and we will create successful centers. Utilizing a strategic mix of print, radio, television, direct mail, website, internet advertising, social networks, smart phone applications and public relations, we consistently reinforce the Tanger brand. Our marketing efforts are also designed to build loyalty with current Tanger shoppers and create awareness with potential customers. The majority of consumer-marketing expenses incurred by us are reimbursable by our tenants.

#### Capital Strategy

We believe we achieve a strong and flexible financial position by attempting to: (1) maintain a conservative leverage position relative to our portfolio when pursuing new development, expansion and acquisition opportunities, (2) extend and sequence debt maturities, (3) manage our interest rate risk through a proper mix of fixed and variable rate debt, (4) maintain access to liquidity by using our lines of credit in a conservative manner and (5) preserve internally generated sources of capital by strategically divesting of our underperforming assets and maintaining a conservative distribution payout ratio. We manage our capital structure to reflect a long-term investment approach and utilize multiple sources of capital to meet our requirements.

We intend to retain the ability to raise additional capital, including public debt or equity, to pursue attractive investment opportunities that may arise and to otherwise act in a manner that we believe to be in the best interests of our shareholders and unit holders. The Company is a well-known seasoned issuer with a shelf registration that allows us to register unspecified amounts of different classes of securities on Form S-3. To generate capital to reinvest into other attractive investment opportunities, we may also consider the use of additional operational and developmental joint ventures, the sale or lease of outparcels on our existing properties and the sale of certain properties that do not meet our long-term investment criteria. Based on cash provided by operations, existing lines of credit, ongoing relationships with certain financial institutions and our ability to sell debt or issue equity subject to market conditions, we believe that we have access to the necessary financing to fund our planned capital expenditures during 2013.

We anticipate that adequate cash will be available to fund our operating and administrative expenses, regular debt service obligations, and the payment of dividends in accordance with REIT requirements in both the short and long-term. Although we receive most of our rental payments on a monthly basis, distributions to shareholders and unitholders are made quarterly and interest payments on the senior, unsecured notes are made semi-annually. Amounts accumulated for such payments will be used in the interim to reduce the outstanding borrowings under our existing lines of credit or invested in short-term money market or other suitable instruments adhering to our investment policies.

We believe our current balance sheet position is financially sound; however, due to the uncertainty and unpredictability of the capital and credit markets, we can give no assurance that affordable access to capital will exist between now and 2015 when our next significant debt maturities occur. As a result, our current primary focus is to continually strengthen our capital and liquidity position by controlling and reducing construction and overhead costs, generating positive cash flows from operations to cover our distributions and reducing outstanding debt.

# Competition

We carefully consider the degree of existing and planned competition in a proposed area before deciding to develop, acquire or expand a new center. Our centers compete for customers primarily with outlet centers built and operated by different developers, traditional shopping malls and full- and off-price retailers. However, we believe that the majority of our customers visit outlet centers because they are intent on buying name-brand products at discounted prices. Traditional full- and off-price retailers are often unable to provide such a variety of name-brand products at attractive prices.

Tenants of outlet centers typically avoid direct competition with major retailers and their own specialty stores, and, therefore, generally insist that the outlet centers be located not less than 10 miles from the nearest major department store or the tenants' own specialty stores. For this reason, our centers compete only to a very limited extent with traditional malls in or near metropolitan areas.

We compete with institutional pension funds, private equity investors, other REITs, small owners of outlet centers, specialty stores and others who are engaged in the acquisition, development or ownership of outlet centers and stores. In addition, the number of entities competing to acquire or develop outlet centers has increased and may continue to increase in the future, which could increase demand for these outlet centers and the prices we must pay to acquire or develop them. Nevertheless, we believe the high barriers to entry in the outlet industry, including the need for extensive relationships with premier manufacturers and brand name retailers, will continue to minimize the number of new outlet centers developed each year.

# Corporate and Regional Headquarters

We rent space in an office building in Greensboro, North Carolina in which our corporate headquarters is located. In addition, we rent a regional office in New York City, New York to better service our principal fashion-related tenants, many of whom are based in and around that area.

We maintain offices and employ on-site managers at 38 centers. The managers closely monitor the operation, marketing and local relationships at each of their centers.

#### Insurance

We believe that as a whole our properties are covered by adequate comprehensive liability, fire, flood, earthquake and extended loss insurance provided by reputable companies with commercially reasonable and customary deductibles and limits. Northline Indemnity, LLC, ("Northline"), a wholly-owned captive insurance subsidiary of the Operating Partnership, is responsible for losses up to certain levels for property damage (including wind damage from hurricanes) prior to third-party insurance coverage. Specified types and amounts of insurance are required to be carried by each tenant under their lease agreement with us. There are however, types of losses, like those resulting from wars or nuclear radiation, which may either be uninsurable or not economically insurable in some or all of our locations. An uninsured loss could result in a loss to us of both our capital investment and anticipated profits from the affected property.

# **Employees**

As of February 1, 2013, we had 265 full-time employees, located at our corporate headquarters in North Carolina, our regional office in New York and 38 business offices. At that date, we also employed 277 part-time employees at various locations.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

# Risks Related to Real Estate Investments

#### We may be unable to develop new outlet centers or expand existing outlet centers successfully.

We continue to develop new outlet centers and expand existing outlet centers as opportunities arise. However, there are significant risks associated with our development activities in addition to those generally associated with the ownership and operation of established retail properties. While we have policies in place designed to limit the risks associated with development, these policies do not mitigate all development risks associated with a project. These risks include the following:

- significant expenditure of money and time on projects that may be delayed or never be completed;
- higher than projected construction costs;
- shortage of construction materials and supplies;
- failure to obtain zoning, occupancy or other governmental approvals or to the extent required, tenant approvals; and
- late completion because of construction delays, delays in the receipt of zoning, occupancy and other approvals or other factors outside of our control.

Any or all of these factors may impede our development strategy and adversely affect our overall business.

# The economic performance and the market value of our outlet centers are dependent on risks associated with real property investments.

Real property investments are subject to varying degrees of risk. The economic performance and values of real estate may be affected by many factors, including changes in the national, regional and local economic climate, inflation, unemployment rates, consumer confidence, local conditions such as an oversupply of space or a reduction in demand for real estate in the area, the attractiveness of the properties to tenants, competition from other available space, our ability to provide adequate maintenance and insurance and increased operating costs.

# Real property investments are relatively illiquid.

Our outlet centers represent a substantial portion of our total consolidated assets. These assets are relatively illiquid. As a result, our ability to sell one or more of our outlet centers in response to any changes in economic or other conditions is limited. If we want to sell an outlet center, there can be no assurance that we will be able to dispose of it in the desired time period or that the sales price will exceed the cost of our investment.

# Properties may be subject to impairment charges which can adversely affect our financial results.

We periodically evaluate long-lived assets to determine if there has been any impairment in their carrying values and record impairment losses if the undiscounted cash flows estimated to be generated by those assets are less than their carrying amounts or if there are other indicators of impairment. If it is determined that an impairment has occurred, we would be required to record an impairment charge equal to the excess of the asset's carrying value over its estimated fair value, which could have a material adverse effect on our financial results in the accounting period in which the adjustment is made. Our estimates of undiscounted cash flows expected to be generated by each property are based on a number of assumptions that are subject to economic and market uncertainties including, but not limited to, demand for space, competition for tenants, changes in market rental rates and costs to operate each property. As these factors are difficult to predict and are subject to future events that may alter our assumptions, the future cash flows estimated in our impairment analysis may not be achieved.

# We face competition for the acquisition and development of outlet centers, and we may not be able to complete acquisitions or developments that we have identified.

We intend to grow our business in part through acquisitions and new developments. We compete with institutional pension funds, private equity investors, other REITs, small owners of outlet centers, specialty stores and others who are engaged in the acquisition, development or ownership of outlet centers and stores. These competitors may succeed in acquiring or developing outlet centers themselves. Also, our potential acquisition targets may find our competitors to be more attractive acquirers because they may have greater marketing and financial resources, may be willing to pay more, or may have a more compatible operating philosophy. In addition, the number of entities competing to acquire or develop outlet centers has increased and may continue to increase in the future, which could increase demand for these outlet centers and the prices we must pay to acquire or develop them. If we pay higher prices for outlet centers, our profitability may be reduced. Also, once we have identified potential acquisitions, such acquisitions are subject to the successful completion of due diligence, the negotiation of definitive agreements and the satisfaction of customary closing conditions. We cannot assure you that we will be able to reach acceptable terms with the sellers or that these conditions will be satisfied.

#### We may be subject to environmental regulation.

Under various federal, state and local laws, ordinances and regulations, we may be considered an owner or operator of real property and may be responsible for paying for the disposal or treatment of hazardous or toxic substances released on or in our property or disposed of by us, as well as certain other potential costs which could relate to hazardous or toxic substances (including governmental fines and injuries to persons and property). This liability may be imposed whether or not we knew about, or were responsible for, the presence of hazardous or toxic substances.

# Risks Related to our Business

# Our earnings and therefore our profitability are entirely dependent on rental income from real property.

Substantially all of our income is derived from rental income from real property. Our income and funds for distribution would be adversely affected if a significant number of our tenants were unable to meet their obligations to us or if we were unable to lease a significant amount of space in our centers on economically favorable lease terms. In addition, the terms of outlet store tenant leases traditionally have been significantly shorter than in other retail segments. There can be no assurance that any tenant whose lease expires in the future will renew such lease or that we will be able to re-lease space on economically favorable terms.

# We are substantially dependent on the results of operations of our retailers.

Our operations are subject to the results of operations of our retail tenants. A portion of our rental revenues are derived from percentage rents that directly depend on the sales volume of certain tenants. Accordingly, declines in these tenants' results of operations would reduce the income produced by our properties. If the sales of our retail tenants decline sufficiently, such tenants may be unable to pay their existing rents as such rents would represent a higher percentage of their sales. Any resulting leasing delays, failures to make payments or tenant bankruptcies could result in the termination of such tenants' leases.

A number of companies in the retail industry, including some of our tenants, have declared bankruptcy or have voluntarily closed certain of their stores in recent years. The bankruptcy of a major tenant or number of tenants may result in the closing of certain affected stores, and we may not be able to re-lease the resulting vacant space for some time or for equal or greater rent. Such bankruptcy could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and could result in a lower level of funds for distribution.

Certain of our properties are subject to ownership interests held by third parties, whose interests may conflict with ours and thereby constrain us from taking actions concerning these properties which otherwise would be in our best interests and our shareholders interests.

We own partial interests in seven outlet centers with various joint venture partners. The approval or consent of the other members of these joint ventures is required before we may sell, finance, expand or make other significant changes in the operations of these properties. We also may not have control over certain major decisions, including approval of the annual operating budgets, selection or termination of the property management company, leasing and the timing and amount of distributions, which could result in decisions that do not fully reflect our interests. To the extent such approvals or consents are required, we may experience difficulty in, or may be prevented from, implementing our plans and strategies with respect to expansion, development, property management, on-going operations, financing (for example, decisions as to whether to refinance or obtain financing, when and whether to pay down principal of any loan and whether and how to cure any defaults under loan documents) or other similar transactions with respect to such properties.

An uninsured loss or a loss that exceeds our insurance policies on our outlet centers or the insurance policies of our tenants could subject us to lost capital and revenue on those centers.

Some of the risks to which our outlet centers are subject, including risks of war and earthquakes, hurricanes and other natural disasters, are not insurable or may not be insurable in the future. Should a loss occur that is uninsured or in an amount exceeding the combined aggregate limits for the insurance policies noted above or in the event of a loss that is subject to a substantial deductible under an insurance policy, we could lose all or part of our capital invested in and anticipated revenue from one or more of our outlet centers, which could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition, as well as our ability to make distributions to our shareholders.

Under the terms and conditions of our leases, tenants generally are required to indemnify and hold us harmless from liabilities resulting from injury to persons and contamination of air, water, land or property, on or off the premises, due to activities conducted in the leased space, except for claims arising from negligence or intentional misconduct by us or our agents. Additionally, tenants generally are required, at the tenant's expense, to obtain and keep in full force during the term of the lease, liability and property damage insurance policies issued by companies acceptable to us. These policies include liability coverage for bodily injury and property damage arising out of the ownership, use, occupancy or maintenance of the leased space. All of these policies may involve substantial deductibles and certain exclusions. Therefore, an uninsured loss or loss that exceeds the insurance policies of our tenants could also subject us to lost capital and revenue.

# High fuel prices may impact consumer travel and spending habits.

Most shoppers use private automobile transportation to travel to our outlet centers and many of our centers are not easily accessible by public transportation. Increasing fuel costs may reduce the number of trips to our centers thus reducing the amount spent at our centers. Many of our outlet center locations near tourist destinations may experience an even more acute reduction of shoppers if there were a reduction of people opting to drive to vacation destinations. Such reductions in traffic could adversely impact our percentage rents and ability to renew and release space at current rental rates.

Increasing fuel costs may also reduce disposable income and decrease demand for retail products. Such a decrease could adversely affect the results of operations of our retail tenants and adversely impact our percentage rents and ability to renew and release space at current rental rates.

# Risks Related to our Indebtedness and Financial Markets

# We are subject to the risks associated with debt financing.

We are subject to the risks associated with debt financing, including the risk that the cash provided by our operating activities will be insufficient to meet required payments of principal and interest. Disruptions in the capital and credit markets may adversely affect our operations, including the ability to fund the planned capital expenditures and potential new developments or acquisitions. Further, there is the risk that we will not be able to repay or refinance existing indebtedness or that the terms of any refinancing will not be as favorable as the terms of existing indebtedness. If we are unable to access capital markets to refinance our indebtedness on acceptable terms, we might be forced to dispose of properties on disadvantageous terms, which might result in losses.

# Risks Related to Federal Income Tax Laws

# The Company's failure to qualify as a REIT could subject our earnings to corporate level taxation.

We believe that we have operated and intend to operate in a manner that permits the Company to qualify as a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. However, we cannot assure you that the Company has qualified or will remain qualified as a REIT. If in any taxable year the Company were to fail to qualify as a REIT and certain statutory relief provisions were not applicable, the Company would not be allowed a deduction for distributions to shareholders in computing taxable income and would be subject to U.S. federal income tax (including any applicable alternative minimum tax) on our taxable income at regular corporate rates. The Company's failure to qualify for taxation as a REIT would have an adverse effect on the market price and marketability of our securities.

# The Company is required by law to make distributions to our shareholders.

To obtain the favorable tax treatment associated with the Company's qualification as a REIT, generally, the Company is required to distribute to its shareholders at least 90% of its net taxable income (excluding capital gains) each year. The Company depends upon distributions or other payments from the Operating Partnership to make distributions to the Company's common shareholders. A recent IRS revenue procedure allows the Company to satisfy the REIT income distribution requirement by distributing up to 90% of the dividends on its common shares in the form of additional common shares in lieu of paying dividends entirely in cash. Although we reserve the right to utilize this procedure in the future, we currently have no intent to do so. In the event that the Company pays a portion of a dividend in shares, taxable U.S. shareholders would be required to pay income tax on the entire amount of the dividend, including the portion paid in shares, in which case such shareholders might have to pay the income tax using cash from other sources. If a U.S. shareholder sells the shares it receives as a dividend in order to pay this income tax, the sales proceeds may be less than the amount included in income with respect to the dividend, depending on the market price of our shares at the time of the sale.

# Risks Related to our Organizational Structure

The Company depends on distributions from the Operating Partnership to meet its financial obligations, including dividends.

The Company's operations are conducted by the Operating Partnership, and the Company's only significant asset is its interest in the Operating Partnership. As a result, the Company depends upon distributions or other payments from the Operating Partnership in order to meet its financial obligations, including its obligations under any guarantees or to pay dividends or liquidation payments to its common shareholders. As a result, these obligations are effectively subordinated to existing and future liabilities of the Operating Partnership. The Operating Partnership is a party to loan agreements with various bank lenders that require the Operating Partnership to comply with various financial and other covenants before it may make distributions to the Company. Although the Operating Partnership presently is in compliance with these covenants, there is no assurance that the Operating Partnership will continue to be in compliance and that it will be able to make distributions to the Company.

# Risks Related to Cyber Security

Cyber-attacks or acts of cyber-terrorism could disrupt our business operations and information technology systems or result in the loss or exposure of confidential or sensitive customer, employee or Company information.

Our business operations and information technology systems may be vulnerable to an attack by individuals or organizations intending to disrupt our business operations and information technology systems. We use such systems to manage our outlet centers and other business processes. Disruption of those systems could adversely impact our ability to operate our business and to serve our customers timely. Accordingly, if such an attack or act of terrorism were to occur, our operations and financial results could be adversely affected. In addition, we use our information technology systems to protect confidential or sensitive customer, employee and Company information developed and maintained in the normal course of our business. Any attack on such systems that would result in the unauthorized release of customer, employee or other confidential or sensitive data could have a material adverse effect on our business reputation, increase our costs and expose us to additional material legal claims and liability. As a result, if such an attack or act of terrorism were to occur, our operations and financial results could be adversely affected.

# Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

There are no unresolved staff comments from the Commission for either the Company or the Operating Partnership.

#### Item 2. Properties

As of February 1, 2013, our consolidated portfolio consisted of 36 outlet centers totaling 10.7 million square feet located in 24 states. We own interests in seven other outlet centers totaling approximately 2.2 million square feet through unconsolidated joint ventures, including three outlet centers in Canada. Our centers range in size from 24,619 to 729,734 square feet. The centers are generally located near tourist destinations or along major interstate highways to provide visibility and accessibility to potential customers.

We believe that the centers are well diversified geographically and by tenant and that we are not dependent upon any single property or tenant. No one property represents 10% or more of our consolidated total revenues for the year ended December 31, 2012 or 10% or more of our consolidated total assets as of December 31, 2012.

We have an ongoing strategy of acquiring centers, developing new centers and expanding existing centers. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations--Liquidity and Capital Resources" for a discussion of the cost of such programs and the sources of financing thereof.

Of the 36 outlet centers in our consolidated portfolio, we own the land underlying 30 and have ground leases on six. The following table sets forth information about the land leases on which all or a portion of the six centers are located:

Outlet Center	Acres	Expiration	Expiration including renewal terms
Myrtle Beach Hwy 17, SC	40.0	2027	2096
Atlantic City, NJ	21.3	2101	2101
Ocean City, MD	18.5	2084	2084
Sevierville, TN	41.6	2086	2086
Riverhead, NY	47.0	2014	2039
Rehoboth Beach, DE	2.7	2044	(1)

<sup>(1)</sup> Lease may be renewed at our option for additional terms of twenty years each.

Generally, our leases with our outlet center tenants typically have an initial term that ranges from 5 to 10 years and provide for the payment of fixed monthly rent in advance. There are often contractual base rent increases during the initial term of the lease. In addition, the rental payments are customarily subject to upward adjustments based upon tenant sales volume. Most leases provide for payment by the tenant of real estate taxes, insurance, common area maintenance, advertising and promotion expenses incurred by the applicable center. As a result, the majority of our operating expenses for the centers are borne by the tenants.

The following table summarizes certain information with respect to our consolidated outlet centers as of February 1, 2013.

State	Number of Centers	Square Feet	% of Square Feet
South Carolina	5	1,576,873	15
Pennsylvania	3	874,422	8
New York	1	729,734	7
Georgia	2	691,582	6
Texas	2	619,729	6
Delaware	1	568,975	5
Alabama	1	557,228	5
North Carolina	3	505,225	5
New Jersey	1	489,762	4
Michigan	2	437,222	4
Tennessee	1	419,038	4
Ohio	1	411,776	4
Missouri	1	302,922	3
Utah	1	298,391	3
Connecticut	1	289,898	3
lowa	1	277,230	3
Oregon	1	270,212	2
Louisiana	1	270,208	2
Illinois	1	250,439	2
New Hampshire	1	245,698	2
Florida	1	198,877	2
Maryland	1	197,707	2
California	1	171,300	2
Maine	2	82,286	1
Total	36	10,736,734	100

The following table summarizes certain information with respect to our existing outlet centers in which we have an ownership interest as of February 1, 2013. Except as noted, all properties are fee owned.

Location	Square Feet	% Occupied	
Consolidated Outlet Centers			
Riverhead, New York (1)	729,734	99%	
Rehoboth Beach, Delaware (1)	568,975	99%	
Foley, Alabama	557,228	96%	
Atlantic City, New Jersey (1)	489,762	93%	
San Marcos, Texas	441,929	100%	
Myrtle Beach Hwy 501, South Carolina	425,247	97%	
Sevierville, Tennessee (1)	419,038	99%	
Jeffersonville, Ohio	411,776	100%	
Myrtle Beach Hwy 17, South Carolina (1)	402,791	100%	
Washington, Pennsylvania	372,972	100%	
Commerce II, Georgia	370,512	100%	
Charleston, South Carolina	365,107	99%	
Howell, Michigan	324,652	96%	
Locust Grove, Georgia	321,070	100%	
Mebane, North Carolina	318,910	100%	
Branson, Missouri	302,922	99%	
Park City, Utah	298,391	100%	
Westbrook, Connecticut	289,898	99%	
Williamsburg, Iowa	277,230	97%	
Lincoln City, Oregon	270,212	98%	
Gonzales, Louisiana	270,208	100%	
Lancaster, Pennsylvania	254,002	100%	
Tuscola, Illinois	250,439	91%	
Hershey, Pennsylvania	247,448	100%	
Tilton, New Hampshire	245,698	100%	
Hilton Head II, South Carolina	206,529	100%	
Fort Myers, Florida	198,877	94%	
Ocean City, Maryland (1)	197,707	91%	
Terrell, Texas	177,800	96%	
Hilton Head I, South Carolina	177,199	98%	
Barstow, California	171,300	93%	
West Branch, Michigan	112,570	96%	
Blowing Rock, North Carolina	104,154	97%	
Nags Head, North Carolina	82,161	100%	
Kittery I, Maine	57,667	100%	
Kittery II, Maine	24,619	100%	
Total	10,736,734	98%	

<sup>(1)</sup> These properties or a portion thereof are subject to a ground lease.

Location	Square Feet _	% Occupied	
Unconsolidated joint venture properties			
Deer Park, NY (1) (33.3% owned)	741,981	93%	
Texas City, TX (50% owned)	352,705	97%	
Glendale, AZ (58% owned)	332,234	94%	
Wisconsin Dells, WI (50% owned)	265,086	98%	
Bromont, QC (2) (50% owned)	162,943	89%	
Cookstown, ON (3) (50% owned)	155,522	97%	
Saint-Sauveur, QC (2) (50% owned)	116,097	100%	
Total	2,126,568		

- (1) Excludes a 29,253 square foot warehouse adjacent to the shopping center.
- (2) Center acquired in November 2012, located in Quebec, Canada.
- (3) Center acquired in December 2011 and located in Ontario, Canada.

# Lease Expirations

The following table sets forth, as of February 1, 2013, scheduled lease expirations for our consolidated outlet centers, assuming none of the tenants exercise renewal options.

Year	No. of Leases Expiring	Approx. <sup>(1)</sup> Square Feet	Average Annualized Base Rent per sq. ft	Annualized Base Rent <sup>(2)</sup>	% of Gross Annualized Base Rent Represented by Expiring Leases
2013	238	930	\$ 21.18	\$ 19,696	9%
2014	330	1,463	18.82	27,536	13%
2015	312	1,359	20.59	27,983	13%
2016	327	1,426	20.80	29,665	14%
2017	291	1,413	21.32	30,121	14%
2018	198	1,064	22.66	24,112	11%
2019	69	291	26.34	7,664	4%
2020	109	594	18.18	10,797	5%
2021	159	825	21.41	17,665	8%
2022	132	488	28.36	13,838	6%
2023 & thereafter	59	324	19.67	6,373	3%
	2,224	10,177	\$ 21.17	\$ 215,450	100%

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes leases that have been entered into but which tenant has not yet taken possession, vacant suites, space under construction, temporary leases and month-to-month leases totaling in the aggregate approximately 560,000 square feet.

<sup>(2)</sup> Annualized base rent is defined as the minimum monthly payments due as of February 1, 2013 annualized, excluding periodic contractual fixed increases and rents calculated based on a percentage of tenants' sales. The annualized base rent disclosed in the table above includes all concessions, abatements and reimbursements of rent to tenants.

# Rental and Occupancy Rates

The following table sets forth information regarding the expiring leases for our consolidated outlet centers during each of the last five calendar years.

	Total Expiring		Renewed by Existing Tenants		
Year	Square Feet	% of Total Center Square Feet <sup>(1)</sup>	Square Feet	% of Expiring Square Feet	
2012	1,814,000	17	1,536,000	85	
2011	1,771,000	18	1,459,000	82	
2010	1,460,000	16	1,217,000	83	
2009	1,502,000	16	1,218,000	81	
2008	1,350,000	16	1,103,000	82	

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents the percentage of total square footage at the beginning of each year that is scheduled to expire during the respective year.

The following table sets forth the weighted average base rental rate increases per square foot on a straight-line basis (includes periodic, contractual fixed rent increases) for our consolidated outlet centers upon re-leasing stores that were turned over or renewed during each of the last five calendar years.

	Renewals of Existing Leases				Stores	Re-	leased t	o Ne	ew Tenan	its <sup>(1)</sup>		
		Average Annualized Base Rents					A	verage A	۱nn	ualized B	ase Rents	
			ı	(\$ p	er sq. ft.)	)				(\$ p	er sq. ft.)	<u> </u>
Year	Square Feet	E	xpiring		New	% Increase	Square Feet	E	xpiring		New	% Increase
2012	1,536,000	\$	18.70	\$	21.75	16	450,000	\$	20.60	\$	31.72	54
2011	1,459,000	\$	18.16	\$	20.54	13	548,000	\$	18.82	\$	28.24	50
2010	1,217,000	\$	18.00	\$	19.65	9	432,000	\$	19.21	\$	24.18	26
2009	1,218,000	\$	16.80	\$	18.43	10	305,000	\$	18.83	\$	24.66	31
2008	1,103,000	\$	17.29	\$	20.31	17	492,000	\$	18.03	\$	25.97	44

<sup>(1)</sup> The square footage released to new tenants for 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009 and 2008 contains 137,000, 172,000, 91,000, 73,000 and 139,000 square feet, respectively, that was released to new tenants upon expiration of an existing lease during the current year.

# **Occupancy Costs**

We believe that our ratio of average tenant occupancy cost (which includes base rent, common area maintenance, real estate taxes, insurance, advertising and promotions) to average sales per square foot is low relative to other forms of retail distribution. The following table sets forth for tenants that report sales, for each of the last five years, tenant occupancy costs per square foot as a percentage of reported tenant sales per square foot for our consolidated outlet centers.

Year	Occupancy Costs as a % of Tenant Sales
2012	8.4
2011	8.4
2010	8.3
2009	8.5
2008	8.2

# Tenants

The following table sets forth certain information for our consolidated outlet centers with respect to our ten largest tenants and their store concepts as of February 1, 2013.

Tenant	Number of Stores	Square Feet	% of Total Square Feet
The Gap, Inc.:		,	
Old Navy	23	348,196	3.2
GAP	31	289,293	2.7
Banana Republic	25	208,149	1.9
Gap Kids	1	7,887	0.1
Cap Mus	80	853,525	7.9
Phillips-Van Heusen Corporation:			, , ,
Bass Shoe	33	218,204	2.0
Tommy Hilfiger	28	187,672	1.8
Van Heusen	32	129,275	1.2
Calvin Klein, Inc.	13	74,857	0.7
Izod	23	62,192	0.6
Tommy Kids	<u>1</u> 130	3,200 675,400	6.3
Dress Barn, Inc.:	130	075,400	0.3
Dress Barn	27	226,138	2.1
Lane Bryant	24	133,455	1.2
Justice	25	105,556	1.0
Maurice's	9	37,436	0.4
Dress Barn Woman	2	7,470	0.1
Dress Barn Petite	<u>1</u> 88	6,570 516,625	4.8
VF Outlet Inc.:	00	310,023	4.0
VF Outlet	9	218,763	2.1
Nautica Factory Stores	18	89,786	8.0
Timberland	11	55,193	0.5
Vans	4	12,000	0.1
Nike:	42	375,742	3.5
Nike	24	336,205	3.1
Converse	7	21,182	0.2
Hurley	2	4,633	0.1
	33	362,020	3.4
Adidas:	0.5	200 477	4.0
Reebok Adidas	25 11	202,477 98,733	1.9 0.9
Rockport	5_	14,106	0.9
1.05.lp 5.12	41	315,316	2.9
ANN inc.:			
Loft _	26	185,272	1.7
Ann Taylor	<u>17</u> 43	115,196	1.1
Polo Ralph Lauren:	43	300,468	2.8
Polo Ralph Lauren	27	278,851	2.6
Polo Jeans Outlet	1	5,000	0.1
Polo Ralph Lauren Children	1	3,000	*
	29	286,851	2.7
Carter's:	00	440.005	4.0
OshKosh B'Gosh Carter's	29 30	140,335 136,306	1.3 1.3
Odi toi 3	59	276,641	2.6
Hanesbrands Direct, LLC:		,	2.0
Hanesbrands	33	209,351	2.0
Champion	6	27,652	0.3
Socks Galore	3	4,360	v.3 *
	42	241,363	2.3
Total of all tenants listed in table	587	4,203,951	39.2

<sup>\*</sup> Less than 0.1%.

#### Item 3. Legal Proceedings

We are subject to legal proceedings and claims that have arisen in the ordinary course of our business and have not been finally adjudicated. In our opinion, the ultimate resolution of these matters is not expected to have a material effect on our results of operations or financial condition.

#### Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable

#### EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC.

The following table sets forth certain information concerning the Company's executive officers. The Operating Partnership does not have executive officers:

NAME	AGE	POSITION
Steven B. Tanger	64	Director, President and Chief Executive Officer
Frank C. Marchisello, Jr.	54	Executive Vice President - Chief Financial Officer
Thomas E. McDonough	55	Executive Vice President - Chief Operating Officer
Chad D. Perry	41	Executive Vice President - General Counsel and Secretary
Carrie A. Geldner	50	Senior Vice President - Chief Marketing Officer
Lisa J. Morrison	53	Senior Vice President - Leasing
James F. Williams	48	Senior Vice President - Controller
Virginia R. Summerell	54	Senior Vice President - Treasurer and Assistant Secretary
Manuel O. Jessup	57	Senior Vice President - Human Resources

The following is a biographical summary of the experience of our executive officers:

Steven B. Tanger. Mr. Tanger is a director of the Company and was named President and Chief Executive Officer effective January 1, 2009. Mr. Tanger served as President and Chief Operating Officer from January 1, 1995 to December 2008. Previously, Mr. Tanger served as Executive Vice President from 1986 to December 1994. He has been with Tanger related companies for most of his professional career, having served as Executive Vice President of Tanger/Creighton for 10 years. Mr. Tanger is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the Stanford University School of Business Executive Program.

Frank C. Marchisello, Jr. Mr. Marchisello was named Executive Vice President - Chief Financial Officer in April 2003. Previously he was named Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer in January 1999 after being named Vice President and Chief Financial Officer in November 1994. He served as Chief Accounting Officer from January 1993 to November 1994. He was employed by Gilliam, Coble & Moser, certified public accountants, from 1981 to 1992, the last six years of which he was a partner of the firm in charge of various real estate clients. Mr. Marchisello is responsible for the Company's financial reporting processes, as well as supervisory responsibility over the senior officers that oversee the Company's accounting, finance, corporate communications and information systems functions. Mr. Marchisello is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and is a certified public accountant.

**Thomas E. McDonough.** Mr. McDonough was named Executive Vice President - Chief Operating Officer in August 2011. He joined the Company in August 2010 as Executive Vice President of Operations. Previously, he was the Co-Founder and Principal of MHF Real Estate Group, a real estate asset management firm, from September 2009 to August 2010. He served as Chief Investment Officer and was a member of the Investment Committee at Equity One, Inc. from July 2007 to April 2009. From April 2006 to July 2007, Mr. McDonough was a partner at Kahl & Goveia, and from February 1997 to April 2006, he was employed by Regency Centers Corp., and its predecessor, Pacific Retail Trust, as the national director of acquisitions and dispositions. Previously, from July 1984 to January 1997, Mr. McDonough served in various capacities, including partner and principal, with Trammell Crow Company. Mr. McDonough has supervisory responsibility over the senior officers that oversee the Company's operations,

construction and development, leasing and marketing functions. Mr. McDonough is a graduate of Stanford University and holds an MBA degree from Harvard Business School.

Chad D. Perry. Mr. Perry joined the Company in December 2011 as Executive Vice President - General Counsel and was additionally named Secretary in May 2012. Previously, he was Executive Vice President and Deputy General Counsel of LPL Financial Corporation from May 2006 to December 2011. From January 2005 to April 2006, he served as Senior Corporate Counsel of EMC Corporation. Previously, Mr. Perry was a Senior Associate of international law firm Ropes & Gray from September 1997 to January 2005. His responsibilities include corporate governance, compliance, and other legal matters, as well as management of outside counsel relationships and the Company's in house legal department. Mr. Perry is a graduate of Princeton University, holds a J.D. degree from Columbia University, and is a member of both the Massachusetts and California bar associations.

Carrie A. Geldner. Ms. Geldner was named Senior Vice President - Chief Marketing Officer in January 2012. Previously, she held the positions of Senior Vice President - Marketing from May 2000 to January 2012, Vice President - Marketing from September 1996 to May 2000 and Assistant Vice President - Marketing from December 1995 to September 1996. Prior to joining Tanger, Ms. Geldner was with Prime Retail, L.P. for 4 years where she served as Regional Marketing Director responsible for coordinating and directing marketing for five outlet centers in the southeast region. Previously, Ms. Geldner was Marketing Manager for North Hills, Inc. for five years and also served in the same role for the Edward J. DeBartolo Corp. for two years. Her major responsibilities include managing the Company's marketing department and developing and overseeing implementation of all corporate and field marketing programs. Ms. Geldner is a graduate of East Carolina University.

Lisa J. Morrison. Ms. Morrison was named Senior Vice President - Leasing in August 2004. Previously, she held the positions of Vice President - Leasing from May 2001 to August 2004, Assistant Vice President of Leasing from August 2000 to May 2001 and Director of Leasing from April 1999 until August 2000. Prior to joining the Company, Ms. Morrison was employed by the Taubman Company and Trizec Properties, Inc. where she served as a leasing agent. Previously, she was a marketing coordinator for Mutual Service Corporation. Her major responsibilities include managing the leasing strategies for our operating properties, as well as expansions and new developments. She also oversees the leasing personnel and the merchandising and occupancy for Tanger properties. Ms. Morrison is a graduate of the University of Detroit and holds an MA degree from Michigan State University.

James F. Williams. Mr. Williams was named Senior Vice President - Controller in February 2006. Mr. Williams joined the Company in September 1993, was named Controller in January 1995 and was also named Assistant Vice President in January 1997 and Vice President in April 2004. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Williams was the Financial Reporting Manager of Guilford Mills, Inc. from April 1991 to September 1993 and was employed by Arthur Andersen from 1987 to 1991. His major responsibilities include oversight and supervision of the Company's accounting and financial reporting functions. Mr. Williams is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and is a certified public accountant.

Virginia R. Summerell. Ms. Summerell was named Senior Vice President - Treasurer and Assistant Secretary of the Company in May 2011. Since joining the Company in August 1992, she has held various positions including Vice President Treasurer, Assistant Secretary and Director of Finance. Her major responsibilities include developing and maintaining banking relationships, oversight of all project and corporate finance transactions, management of treasury systems and the supervision of the Company's credit department. Prior to joining the Company, she served as a Vice President and in other capacities at Bank of America and its predecessors in Real Estate and Corporate Lending for nine years. Ms. Summerell is a graduate of Davidson College and holds an MBA from Wake Forest University Babcock School of Business.

*Manuel O. Jessup.* Mr. Jessup joined the Company as Senior Vice President of Human Resources in September 2012. Previously Mr. Jessup worked with Fine Mark National Bank & Trust as the Executive Vice President of Human Resources from October 2010 to July 2012. From September 2006 to August 2010, he served as Senior Vice President of Human Resources and later Executive Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer at Chico's FAS, Inc. Previously, Mr. Jessup was employed by Sara Lee Branded Apparel from September 1985 through August 2006. While at Sara Lee Branded Apparel, Mr. Jessup held numerous leadership roles in human resources, including Vice President of Human Resources, with responsibility for domestic and international operations in Asia and Latin America. His responsibilities include oversight and supervision of the Company's Human Resources function. Mr. Jessup is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and holds an MBA from Wake Forest University Babcock School of Business.

# Item 5. Market For Registrant's Common Equity, Related Shareholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

#### Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. Market Information

The common shares commenced trading on the New York Stock Exchange on May 28, 1993. The following table sets forth the high and low sales prices of the common shares as reported on the New York Stock Exchange Composite Tape, during the periods indicated.

2012	High		Common Dividends Paid		
First Quarter	\$ 30.27	\$	27.72	\$	0.2000
Second Quarter	32.75		28.94		0.2100
Third Quarter	34.09		31.50		0.2100
Fourth Quarter	 34.46		30.87		0.2100
Year 2012	\$ 34.46	\$	27.72	\$	0.8300

2011	High	Low	Common Dividends Paid		
First Quarter	\$ 27.39	\$ 24.57	\$	0.1938	
Second Quarter	28.05	24.81		0.2000	
Third Quarter	28.99	22.38		0.2000	
Fourth Quarter	30.15	23.98		0.2000	
Year 2011	\$ 30.15	\$ 22.38	\$	0.7938	

# Holders

As of February 1, 2013, there were approximately 476 common shareholders of record.

#### Dividends

The Company operates in a manner intended to enable it to qualify as a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code, or the Code. A REIT is required to distribute at least 90% of its taxable income to its shareholders each year. We intend to continue to qualify as a REIT and to distribute substantially all of our taxable income to our shareholders through the payment of regular quarterly dividends. Certain of our debt agreements limit the payment of dividends such that dividends shall not exceed funds from operations (" FFO"), as defined in the agreements, for the prior fiscal year on an annual basis or 95% of FFO on a cumulative basis.

## Securities Authorized for Issuance under Equity Compensation Plans

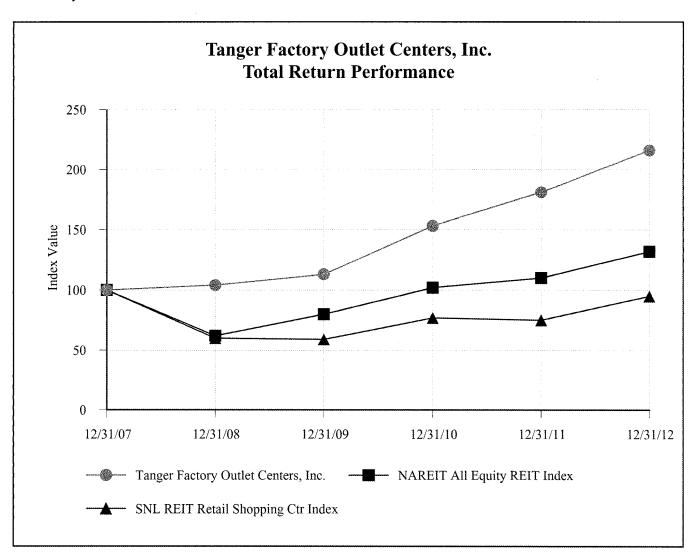
The information required by this Item is set forth in Part III Item 12 of this document.

#### Performance Graph

The following Performance Graph and related information shall not be deemed "soliciting material" or to be "filed" with the Commission, nor shall such information be incorporated by reference into any future filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except to the extent that the Company specifically incorporates it by reference into such filing.

The following share price performance chart compares our performance to the index of equity REITs prepared by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts ("NAREIT"), and the SNL Shopping Center REIT index prepared by SNL Financial. Equity REITs are defined as those that derive more than 75% of their income from equity investments in real estate assets. The NAREIT equity index includes all tax qualified real estate investment trusts listed on the New York Stock Exchange, American Stock Exchange or the NASDAQ National Market System.

All share price performance assumes an initial investment of \$100 at the beginning of the period and assumes the reinvestment of dividends. Share price performance, presented for the five years ended December 31, 2012, is not necessarily indicative of future results.



		Period Ended								
Index	12/31/2007	12/31/2008	12/31/2009	12/31/2010	12/31/2011	12/31/2012				
Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.	100.00	103.97	112.57	153.14	180.65	216.41				
NAREIT All Equity REIT Index	100.00	62.27	79.70	101.98	110.42	132.18				
SNL REIT Retail Shopping Ctr Index	100.00	60.20	59.43	77.15	74.94	94.62				

# Tanger Properties Limited Partnership Market Information

There is no established public trading market for the Operating Partnership's common units. As of December 31, 2012, the Company's wholly-owned subsidiaries, Tanger GP Trust and Tanger LP Trust, owned 23,515,346 units of the Operating Partnership and the Family Limited Partners collectively owned 1,190,466 units as limited partners. We made distributions per common unit during 2012 and 2011 as follows:

		:	2012	2011	
First Quarter		\$	0.800 \$	0.775	
Second Quarter			0.840	0.800	
Third Quarter			0.840	0.800	
Fourth Quarter			0.840	0.800	
	2	\$	3.320 \$	3.175	

# Item 6. Selected Financial Data (Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.)

The following data should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included elsewhere in this Form 10-K.

		2012		2011		2010	2009			2008	
		(in 1	tho	usands, ex	сер	t per share	an	d center da	ata)		
OPERATING DATA											
Total revenues	\$	356,997	\$	315,223	\$	276,303	\$	270,595	\$	243,793	
Operating income		109,585		97,936		79,631		69,940		78,764	
Income from continuing operations		56,476		50,989		38,342		72,709		29,581	
Net income		56,476		50,989		38,244		67,495		29,718	
SHARE DATA											
Basic:											
Income from continuing operations	\$	0.57	\$	0.53	\$	0.32	\$	0.78	\$	0.31	
Net income available to common shareholders	\$	0.57	\$	0.53	\$	0.32	\$	0.72	\$	0.31	
Weighted average common shares Diluted:		91,733		83,000		80,187		71,832		62,169	
Income from continuing operations	\$	0.57	\$	0.52	\$	0.32	\$	0.78	\$	0.31	
Net income available to common	\$	0.57	\$	0.52	\$	0.32	\$	0.72	\$	0.31	
shareholders	Ф		Ф		Ф		Ф		Ф		
Weighted average common shares		92,661	¢	84,129	ው	80,390	•	72,024	φ	62,442	
Common dividends paid  BALANCE SHEET DATA	\$	0.8300	\$	0.7938	\$	0.7725	\$	0.7638	\$	0.7500	
Real estate assets, before depreciation	•	1,947,352	œ	1,916,045	<b>¢</b> 1	,576,214	œ.	1,507,870	œ.	1,399,755	
Total assets		1,672,425		1,621,815		1,216,934		1,178,861		1,121,925	
Debt		1,072,423		1,021,613	ļ	714,616		584,611		786,863	
Total shareholders' equity		513,875		528,432		421,895		521,063		265,903	
CASH FLOW DATA		010,070		320,432		721,000		321,003		200,300	
Cash flows provided by (used in):											
Operating activities	\$	165,765	\$	135,994	\$	118,500	\$	127,297	\$	96,970	
Investing activities	\$	(147,909)	\$	(361,076)	\$	(86,853)	•	(76,228)	•	(133,483)	
Financing activities	\$	(15,415)	•	227,218	\$	(29,156)		(52,779)		39,078	
OTHER DATA	,	,			•	, ,		( , , , ,	•	.,	
Square feet open:											
Consolidated		10,737		10,724		9,190		9,216		8,820	
Partially-owned (unconsolidated)		2,156		1,110		948		950		1,352	
Number of outlet centers:											
Consolidated		36		36		31		31		30	
Partially-owned (unconsolidated)		7		. 3		2		2		3	

<sup>(1)</sup> For the year ended December 31, 2010, income from continuing operations and net income include a loss on termination of derivatives of \$6.1 million.

<sup>(2)</sup> For the year ended December 31, 2009, income from continuing operations and net income include a \$10.5 million gain on early extinguishment of debt from an exchange offer of common shares for convertible debt; a \$31.5 million gain on acquisition of previously held unconsolidated joint venture interest and a \$5.2 million impairment charge related to a property held and used in the year the charge was taken.

<sup>(3)</sup> For the year ended December 31, 2008, income from continuing operations and net income include a loss on termination of derivatives of \$8.9 million.

Item 6. Selected Financial Data (Tanger Properties Limited Partnership)

The following data should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included elsewhere in this Form 10-K.

	2012		2011		2010	2010 2009		2008	
	(in	the	ousands, e	хсе	pt per unit	and	l center dat	a)	
OPERATING DATA									
Total revenues	\$ 356,997	\$	315,223	\$	276,303	\$	270,595	\$	243,793
Operating income	109,585		97,936		79,631		69,940		78,764
Income from continuing operations	56,476		50,989		38,342		72,709		29,581
Net income	56,476		50,989		38,244		67,495		29,718
UNIT DATA									
Basic:									
Income from continuing operations	\$ 2.28	\$	2.12	\$	1.29	\$	3.16	\$	1.25
Net income available to common unitholders	\$ 2.28	\$	2.12	\$	1.29	\$	2.91	\$	1.26
Weighted average common units	24,419		23,723		23,080		20,991		18,575
Diluted:									
Income from continuing operations	\$ 2.26	\$	2.10	\$	1.29	\$	3.15	\$	1.25
Net income available to common unitholders	\$ 2.26	\$	2.10	\$	1.29	\$	2.91	\$	1.25
Weighted average common units	24,651		24,005		23,131		21,039		18,644
Common distributions paid	\$ 3.32	\$	3.18	\$	3.09	\$	3.06	\$	3.00
BALANCE SHEET DATA									
Real estate assets, before depreciation	\$ 1,947,352	\$	1,916,045	\$	1,576,214	\$ 1	1,507,870	\$	1,399,755
Total assets	1,671,951		1,621,463		1,216,476		1,178,500		1,121,639
Debt	1,093,537		1,025,542		714,616		584,611		786,863
Total equity	513,875		528,432		421,895		521,063		265,903
CASH FLOW DATA	 								
Cash flows provided by (used in):									
Operating activities	\$ 165,753	\$	136,053	\$	118,466	\$	127,269	\$	96,964
Investing activities	\$ (147,909)	\$	(361,076)	\$	(86,853)	\$	(76,228)	\$	(133,483)
Financing activities	\$ (15,415)	\$	227,218	\$	(29,156)	\$	(52,779)	\$	39,078
OTHER DATA									
Gross Leasable Area Open:									
Consolidated	10,737		10,724		9,190		9,216		8,820
Partially-owned (unconsolidated)	2,156		1,110		948	•	950		1,352
Number of outlet centers:									
Consolidated	36		36		31		31		30
Partially-owned (unconsolidated)	7		3		2		2		3

<sup>(1)</sup> For the year ended December 31, 2010, income from continuing operations and net income include a loss on termination of derivatives of \$6.1 million.

<sup>(2)</sup> For the year ended December 31, 2009, income from continuing operations and net income include a \$10.5 million gain on early extinguishment of debt from an exchange offer of common shares for convertible debt; a \$31.5 million gain on acquisition of previously held unconsolidated joint venture interest and a \$5.2 million impairment charge related to a property held and used in the year the charge was taken.

<sup>(3)</sup> For the year ended December 31, 2008, income from continuing operations and net income include a loss on termination of derivatives of \$8.9 million.

## Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

# **Cautionary Statements**

Certain statements made in Item 1 - Business and this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations below are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. We intend such forward-looking statements to be covered by the safe harbor provisions for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Reform Act of 1995 and included this statement for purposes of complying with these safe harbor provisions. Forward-looking statements, which are based on certain assumptions and describe our future plans, strategies, beliefs and expectations, are generally identifiable by use of the words 'believe', 'expect', 'intend', 'anticipate', 'estimate', 'project', or similar expressions. You should not rely on forward-looking statements since they involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which are, in some cases, beyond our control and which could materially affect our actual results, performance or achievements. Factors which may cause actual results to differ materially from current expectations include, but are not limited to, those set forth under Item 1A - Risk Factors.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements appearing elsewhere in this report. Historical results and percentage relationships set forth in the consolidated statements of operations, including trends which might appear, are not necessarily indicative of future operations.

#### General Overview

At December 31, 2012, we had 36 consolidated outlet centers in 24 states totaling 10.7 million square feet. The table below details our development and acquisition activities that impacted our results of operations and liquidity during 2012, 2011 and 2010. In the discussion that follows we discuss the impact these development and acquisition activities had on our results of operations compared to that of our existing properties, which we define as properties that have been in operation for the full duration of the comparative periods, and which did not undergo a significant expansion.

	Date Acquired/Open/	ırchase Price	Square Feet		
Center	Disposed/Demolished	millions)	(in thousands)	Centers	States
As of January 1, 2010			9,216	31	21
New development:					
Mebane, NC	November 2010		319	1	_
Disposition:					
Commerce I, GA	July 2010		(186)	(1)	
Demolition:					
Hilton Head I, SC	First quarter 2010		(162)	_	_
Other			3		
As of December 31, 2010			9,190	31	21
Redevelopment:					
Hilton Head I, SC	March 2011		177	1	_
Acquisitions:					
Jeffersonville, OH	June 2011	\$ 134.0	410	1	1
Atlantic City, NJ and Ocean City, MD <sup>(1)</sup>	July 2011	\$ 200.3	689	2	2
Hershey, PA <sup>(2)</sup>	September 2011	\$ 49.8	247	1	
Other			11		
As of December 31, 2011			10,724	36	24
Expansion:					
Locust Grove, GA	Second quarter 2012		26		_
Other		 	(13)		
As of December 31, 2012			10,737	36	24

<sup>(1)</sup> Substantially all of the economic interests in Phase I & II of Atlantic City Outlets The Walk and Ocean City were purchased on July 15, 2011, and substantially all of the economic interest in Phase III if Atlantic City Outlets The Walk was purchased on November 1, 2011.

<sup>(2)</sup> Excludes a \$6.2 million loan to the noncontrolling interest holder collateralized by their ownership interest in the property.

## **Leasing Activity**

The following table provides information for our consolidated outlet centers regarding space re-leased or renewed during the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively:

	# of Leases	Square Feet	Average Annual Straight-line Rent (psf)	Average Tenant Allowance (psf)	Average Initial Term (in years)	Sti	t Average Annual raight-line ent (psf) <sup>(1)</sup>
Re-tenant	136	450,000	\$ 31.72	\$ 42.25	8.57	\$	26.79
Renewal	322	1,536,000	\$ 21.75	\$ 0.04	4.56	\$	21.74

#### 2011

	# of Leases	Square Feet	Average Annual Straight-line Rent (psf)	Average Tenant Allowance (psf)	Average Initial Term (in years)	Net Average Annual Straight-line Rent (psf) <sup>(1)</sup>
Re-tenant	156	548,000	\$ 28.24	\$ 33.79	8.17	\$ 24.10
Renewal	307	1,459,000	\$ 20.54	\$ 1.33	4.57	\$ 20.25

<sup>(1)</sup> Net average straight-line rent is calculated by dividing the average tenant allowance costs per square foot by the average initial term and subtracting this calculated number from the average straight-line rent per year amount. The average annual straight-line rent disclosed in the table above includes all concessions, abatements and reimbursements of rent to tenants. The average tenant allowance disclosed in the table above includes landlord costs.

#### Results of Operations

## 2012 Compared to 2011

#### **NET INCOME**

Net income increased approximately \$5.5 million in the 2012 period to \$56.5 million as compared to \$51.0 million for the 2011 period. The increase in net income was a result of a \$41.8 million increase in operating revenues, a \$2.6 million decrease in acquisition costs and a \$158,000 decrease in abandoned development costs, partially offset by a \$10.9 million increase in operating expenses, a \$7.3 million increase in general and administrative expenses, \$4.4 million in higher interest costs, \$14.7 million in higher depreciation and amortization amounts and \$1.7 million in higher losses on unconsolidated joint ventures.

#### **BASE RENTALS**

Base rentals increased \$27.6 million, or 13%, in the 2012 period compared to the 2011 period. The following table sets forth the changes in various components of base rentals (in thousands):

		2012	2011	Increase/ (Decrease)		
Base rentals from existing properties	\$	199,129	\$ 190,423	\$	8,706	
Base rentals from new developments		3,947	2,601		1,346	
Base rentals from acquisitions		30,477	13,408		17,069	
Termination fees		877	508		369	
Amortization of net above and below market rent adjustments		803	 697		106	
	\$	235,233	\$ 207,637	\$	27,596	

Base rental income generated from existing properties in our portfolio increased due to increases in rental rates on lease renewals and incremental rents from re-tenanting vacant spaces.

During the first quarter of 2011, we completed the redevelopment of our 177,000 square foot outlet center in Hilton Head I, South Carolina and throughout 2011 acquired a total of four outlet centers adding approximately 1.3 million square feet to our consolidated outlet center portfolio.

At December 31, 2012, the net asset representing the amount of unrecognized, combined above and below market lease values, recorded as a part of the purchase price of acquired properties, totaled approximately \$5.2 million. If a tenant terminates its lease prior to the original contractual termination date of the lease and no rental payments are being made on the lease, any unamortized balance of the related above or below market lease value will be written off and could materially impact our net income positively or negatively.

#### PERCENTAGE RENTALS

Percentage rentals, which represent revenues based on a percentage of tenants' sales volume above predetermined levels, increased \$2.1 million, or 23%, in the 2012 period compared to the 2011 period. The following table sets forth the changes in various components of percentage rentals (in thousands):

	2012			2011	Increase/ (Decrease)		
Percentage rentals from existing properties	\$	9,325	\$	8,495	\$	830	
Percentage rentals from new developments		248		66		182	
Percentage rentals from acquisitions		1,599		523		1,076	
	\$	11,172	\$	9,084	\$	2,088	

The increase in percentage rentals is partially related to new developments and acquisitions completed in the 2011 period. In addition, percentage rentals from existing properties increased 10% due to higher tenant sales productivity. Reported tenant comparable sales for our consolidated properties for the rolling twelve months ended December 31, 2012 increased 2.9% to \$376 per square foot. Reported tenant comparable sales is defined as the weighted average sales per square foot reported in space open for the full duration of each comparison period.

#### EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS

Expense reimbursements increased \$10.5 million, or 12%, in the 2012 period as compared to the 2011 period. The following table sets forth the changes in various components of expense reimbursements (in thousands):

	2012		2011		crease/ ecrease)
Expense reimbursements from existing properties	\$	86,583	\$	83,800	\$ 2,783
Expense reimbursements from new developments		1,532		1,172	360
Expense reimbursements from acquisitions		11,681		4,397	7,284
Termination fees allocated to expense reimbursements		278		251	27
	\$	100,074	\$	89,620	\$ 10,454

Expense reimbursements, which represent the contractual recovery from tenants of certain common area maintenance, insurance, property tax, promotional, advertising and management expenses, generally fluctuate consistently with the reimbursable property operating expenses to which they relate. Existing property expense reimbursements increased in the 2012 period compared to the 2011 period as a result of an increase in the portfolio's overall average occupancy rate, as well as a number of leases recently executed which require a higher reimbursement amount of our operating expenses.

#### OTHER INCOME

Other income increased \$1.6 million, or 18%, in the 2012 period as compared to the 2011 period. The following table sets forth the changes in various components of other income (in thousands):

		2012			Increase/ (Decrease)		
Other income from existing properties	\$	6,997	\$	6,570	\$	427	
Fees recognized from unconsolidated joint ventures		3,042		2,121		921	
Other income from new developments		73		50		23	
Other income from acquisitions		406		141		265	
	\$	10,518	\$	8,882	\$	1,636	

The increase in other income for existing properties relates to higher miscellaneous vending income and Tanger Club membership sales. Fees recognized from unconsolidated joint ventures increased due to our entry into five new joint ventures in the 2011 and 2012 periods.

#### PROPERTY OPERATING EXPENSES

Property operating expenses increased \$10.9 million, or 11%, in the 2012 period as compared to the 2011 period. The following table sets forth the changes in various components of property operating expenses (in thousands):

	2012		2011	 crease/ ecrease)
Property operating expenses from existing properties	\$	94,048	\$ 93,184	\$ 864
Property operating expenses from new developments		1,740	1,496	244
Property operating expenses from acquisitions		15,372	5,566	9,806
	\$	111,160	\$ 100,246	\$ 10,914

Increases at existing properties related to higher mall office operating costs, security and property insurance. These costs were partially offset by lower snow removal costs across the portfolio.

#### GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

General and administrative expenses increased \$7.3 million, or 24%, in the 2012 period as compared to the 2011 period. This increase was mainly due to additional share-based compensation expense related to the 2012 restricted share grant to directors and certain officers of the Company and share-based compensation granted to Steven B. Tanger in February 2012 pursuant to an amendment to his employment contract. In addition, the 2012 period included higher payroll related expenses on a comparative basis to the 2011 period due to the addition of new employees since January 1, 2011.

## **ACQUISITION COSTS**

The 2012 period included acquisition costs incurred by us related to the two acquisitions through our RioCan joint venture in November 2012. The 2011 period included costs related to the four acquisitions of consolidated properties described above in "General Overview", as well as one acquisition through our RioCan joint venture in December, 2011.

#### **DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION**

Depreciation and amortization increased \$14.7 million, or 17%, in the 2012 period as compared to the 2011 period. The following table sets forth the changes in various components of depreciation and amortization (in thousands):

		2012	2011	Increase/ (Decrease)		
Depreciation and amortization from existing properties	\$	68,374	\$ 70,860	\$	(2,486)	
Depreciation and amortization from new developments		2,092	1,090		1,002	
Depreciation and amortization from acquisitions		28,217	12,065		16,152	
	\$	98,683	\$ 84,015	\$	14,668	

Depreciation and amortization costs increased in the 2012 period compared to the 2011 period primarily as a result of the additional centers added to the portfolio during 2011. The depreciation and amortization from acquisitions includes the amortization of lease related intangibles recorded as part of the acquisition price of the acquired properties which are amortized over shorter lives. Depreciation and amortization from existing properties decreased as certain construction and development related assets and lease related intangible assets from these properties became fully depreciated during 2012.

#### INTEREST EXPENSE

Interest expense increased approximately \$4.4 million, or 10%, in the 2012 period compared to the 2011 period. The primary reason for the increase in interest expense was the increase in the average amount of debt outstanding from approximately \$870.1 million for the 2011 period to approximately \$1.1 billion for the 2012 period. The higher debt levels outstanding were a result of the mortgages assumed as part of the acquisition of four properties, additional funding necessary for the development and acquisition projects described above and other general operating purposes.

The increase in interest expense associated with the higher debt outstanding was partially offset by lower interest rates on our unsecured lines of credit. These facilities were recast during the fourth quarter of 2011 resulting in the credit spread over LIBOR being reduced from 190 basis points to 125 basis points. In addition, in February 2012, we entered into a term loan for \$250.0 million with an initial interest rate of LIBOR + 1.80%.

## **EQUITY IN LOSSES OF UNCONSOLIDATED JOINT VENTURES**

Equity in losses of unconsolidated joint ventures increased approximately \$1.7 million, or 111%, in the 2012 period compared to the 2011 period. The increase in loss is due primarily to acquisition costs and abandoned due diligence costs incurred by our RioCan joint venture. The remaining increase in losses is attributable to joint ventures added during the year which in aggregate have depreciation in excess of their earnings before depreciation.

## 2011 Compared to 2010

#### **NET INCOME**

Net income increased approximately \$12.7 million in the 2011 period to \$51.0 million as compared to \$38.2 million for the 2010 period. The increase in net income was a result of a \$38.9 million increase in operating revenues partially offset by a \$15.4 million increase in operating expenses, \$11.3 million in higher interest costs, \$6.0 million in higher depreciation and amortization amounts and \$1.1 million in higher losses on unconsolidated joint ventures. In addition, \$6.7 million of losses on debt extinguishment and termination of derivatives were recorded during the 2010 period compared to no losses on debt extinguishment for the 2011 period.

# **BASE RENTALS**

Base rentals increased \$28.7 million, or 16%, in the 2011 period compared to the 2010 period. The following table sets forth the changes in various components of base rentals (in thousands):

	2011		2010	Increase/ (Decrease)		
Base rentals from existing properties	\$	183,662	\$ 175,165	\$	8,497	
Base rentals from new developments		9,418	2,153		7,265	
Base rentals from acquisitions		13,352			13,352	
Termination fees		508	907		(399)	
Amortization of net above and below market rent adjustments		697	 751		(54)	
	\$	207,637	\$ 178,976	\$	28,661	

Base rental income generated from existing properties in our portfolio increased due to increases in rental rates on lease renewals and incremental rents from re-tenanting vacant spaces.

During the fourth quarter of 2010, we opened a 319,000 square foot outlet center in Mebane, North Carolina. During the first quarter of 2011, we completed the redevelopment of our 177,000 square foot outlet center in Hilton Head I, South Carolina and throughout 2011 acquired a total of four outlet centers adding approximately 1.3 million square feet of to our consolidated outlet center portfolio.

At December 31, 2011, the net asset representing the amount of unrecognized, combined above and below market lease values, recorded as a part of the purchase price of acquired properties, totaled approximately \$4.4 million. If a tenant terminates its lease prior to the contractual termination date of the lease and no rental payments are being made on the lease, any unamortized balance of the related above or below market lease value will be written off and could materially impact our net income positively or negatively.

## PERCENTAGE RENTALS

Percentage rentals, which represent revenues based on a percentage of tenants' sales volume above predetermined levels, increased \$1.2 million, or 15%, in the 2011 period compared to the 2010 period. The following table sets forth the changes in various components of percentage rentals (in thousands):

	2011			Increase/ (Decrease)	
Percentage rentals from existing properties	\$ 8,022	\$	7,884	\$	138
Percentage rentals from new developments	539		30		509
Percentage rentals from acquisitions	 523				523
	\$ 9,084	\$	7,914	\$	1,170

Percentage rentals generated from existing properties in our portfolio increased 1.8% in the 2011 period compared to the 2010 period. Reported tenant comparable sales for our consolidated properties for the rolling twelve months ended December 31, 2011 increased 3.5% to \$366 per square foot. Reported tenant comparable sales is defined as the weighted average sales per square foot reported in space open for the full duration of each comparison period. In addition, percentage rentals increased in the 2011 period compared to the 2010 period primarily as a result of the additional centers added to the portfolio during 2011, as well as the full year effect of the Mebane, North Carolina outlet center which opened in November 1, 2010.

#### **EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS**

Expense reimbursements increased \$9.0 million, or 11%, in the 2011 period as compared to the 2010 period. The following table sets forth the changes in various components of expense reimbursements (in thousands):

		2011	2010	Increase/ (Decrease)	
Expense reimburesments from existing properties	\$	81,297	\$ 79,051	\$	2,246
Expense reimbursements from new developments		3,675	1,126		2,549
Expense reimbursements from acquisitions		4,397			4,397
Termination fees allocated to expense reimbursements		251	450		(199)
	\$	89,620	\$ 80,627	\$	8,993

Expense reimbursements, which represent the contractual recovery from tenants of certain common area maintenance, insurance, property tax, promotional, advertising and management expenses, generally fluctuate consistently with the reimbursable property operating expenses to which they relate. Existing property expense reimbursements increased in the 2011 period compared to the 2010 period as a result of an increase in the portfolio's overall occupancy rate as well an increase in the number of leases executed which require reimbursement of operating expenses.

#### PROPERTY OPERATING EXPENSES

Property operating expenses increased \$7.3 million, or 8%, in the 2011 period as compared to the 2010 period. The following table sets forth the changes in various components of property operating expenses (in thousands):

		2011	2010	Increase/ (Decrease)	
Property operating expenses from existing properties	\$	90,394	\$ 89,942	\$	452
Property operating expenses from new developments		4,286	2,257		2,029
Property operating expenses from acquisitions		5,566			5,566
Demolition costs related to the redevelopment of Hilton Head I, SC center		_	699		(699)
	\$	100,246	\$ 92,898	\$	7,348

## **GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES**

General and administrative expenses increased \$5.6 million, or 23%, in the 2011 period as compared to the 2010 period. This increase was primarily due to additional share-based compensation expense related to the 2011 restricted share grant to directors and certain officers of the Company and organizational costs related to the formation of additional unconsolidated joint ventures. In addition, the 2011 period included higher payroll related expenses on a comparative basis to the 2010 period due to the addition of new employees throughout 2011, including the positions of Executive Vice President - Chief Operating Officer and Executive Vice President - General Counsel.

#### **ACQUISITION COSTS**

The 2011 period includes costs related to the acquisition of the properties described above in "General Overview".

#### **IMPAIRMENT CHARGES**

In 2005 we sold an outlet center located in Seymour, Indiana. We retained various outparcels of land at the development site, some of which we had sold in recent years. In February 2010, our Board of Directors approved the sale of the remaining parcels of land in Seymour, Indiana. As a result of this Board approval and an approved plan to actively market the land, we accounted for the land as "held for sale" and recorded a non-cash impairment charge of approximately \$735,000 in the 2010 period in our consolidated statement of operations which equaled the excess of the carrying amount of the land over its current fair value. We determined the estimated fair value using a market approach considering offers that we obtained for all the various parcels less estimated closing costs.

## **DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION**

Depreciation and amortization increased \$6.0 million, or 8%, in the 2011 period as compared to the 2010 period. The following table sets forth the changes in various components of depreciation and amortization (in thousands):

	2011			2010	 crease/ ecrease)
Depreciation and amortization from existing properties	\$	67,708	\$	68,350	\$ (642)
Depreciation and amortization from new developments		4,242		388	3,854
Depreciation and amortization from acquisitions		12,065		_	12,065
Accelerated depreciation and amortization related to the redevelopment of the Hilton Head I, SC outlet center				9,301	 (9,301)
	\$	84,015	\$	78,039	\$ 5,976

Depreciation and amortization costs increased in the 2011 period compared to the 2010 period primarily as a result of the additional centers added to the portfolio during 2011. The depreciation and amortization from acquisitions includes the amortization of lease related intangibles recorded as part of the acquisition price of the acquired properties which are amortized over shorter lives. In addition, the 2011 period includes a full year of depreciation and amortization related to the Mebane, North Carolina outlet center which opened in November 2010.

As of March 31, 2010, the previously existing Hilton Head I, South Carolina outlet center was vacant of all tenants in preparation for the demolition and redevelopment of the center. At that point the depreciable assets of the center had been fully depreciated.

#### INTEREST EXPENSE

Interest expense increased approximately \$11.3 million, or 33.0%, in the 2011 period compared to the 2010 period. The primary reason for the increase in interest expense was an increase in the average amount of debt outstanding from approximately \$649.6 million for the 2010 period to approximately \$870.1 million for the 2011 period. The higher debt levels outstanding were a result of the mortgages assumed as part of the acquisition of four properties, additional funding necessary for the development and acquisition projects described above, the repurchase of 3.0 million preferred shares in December 2010 and other general corporate purposes.

#### LOSS ON EARLY EXTINGUISHMENT OF DEBT

The 2010 period includes the write-off of approximately \$563,000 of unamortized loan origination costs. These assets were written-off due to the repayment of the \$235.0 million term loan facility in the 2010 period with a portion of the proceeds from the \$300.0 million unsecured bond offering in June 2010.

## LOSS ON TERMINATION OF DERIVATIVES

During the second quarter of 2010, we terminated two interest rate swap agreements with a total notional amount of \$235.0 million originally entered into in 2008 for the purpose of fixing the LIBOR based interest rate on the \$235.0 million term loan facility originally completed in June 2008. We paid approximately \$6.1 million to terminate the two interest rate swap agreements. The agreements were terminated because the underlying debt for the derivative transaction was repaid with a portion of the proceeds from the \$300.0 million bond offering mentioned above.

#### EQUITY IN LOSSES OF UNCONSOLIDATED JOINT VENTURES

Equity in losses of unconsolidated joint ventures increased approximately \$1.1 million, or 237.3%, in the 2011 period compared to the 2010 period. Losses were higher in the 2011 period due to the increase in interest rates upon the refinancing for the Deer Park mortgage and mezzanine loans. Even though the loans were refinanced in December 2011, the interest rate increase was effective as of May 2011 when the original loan terms expired. In addition, in December 2011 Deer Park Warehouse recorded an impairment charge of approximately \$900,000, of which our one-third share is \$300,000, to lower the basis of the warehouse to its estimated fair market value. The 2010 period included no impairment charges for any unconsolidated joint ventures.

## **DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS**

In May 2010, the Company's Board of Directors approved the plan for our management to sell our Commerce I, Georgia center. The facts and circumstances of the plan met the accounting requirements to classify the results of operations of the center as discontinued operations for the 2010 period. In the 2010 period the majority of the Commerce I, Georgia center was sold. During the third quarter of 2010, we recorded an impairment of approximately \$111,000 to lower the basis of the remaining portion of the center to its approximate fair value. The remaining portion of the center was sold during the first quarter of 2011, however, the 2011 period did not include any discontinued operations.

# Liquidity and Capital Resources of the Company

In this "Liquidity and Capital Resources of the Company" section, the term, the Company, refers only to Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. on an unconsolidated basis, excluding the Operating Partnership.

The Company's business is operated primarily through the Operating Partnership. The Company issues public equity from time to time, but does not otherwise generate any capital itself or conduct any business itself, other than incurring certain expenses in operating as a public company, which are fully reimbursed by the Operating Partnership. The Company does not hold any indebtedness, and its only material asset is its ownership of partnership interests of the Operating Partnership. The Company's principal funding requirement is the payment of dividends on its common shares. The Company's principal source of funding for its dividend payments is distributions it receives from the Operating Partnership.

Through its ownership of the sole general partner of the Operating Partnership, the Company has the full, exclusive and complete responsibility for the Operating Partnership's day-to-day management and control. The Company causes the Operating Partnership to distribute all, or such portion as the Company may in its discretion determine, of its available cash in the manner provided in the Operating Partnership's partnership agreement. The Company receives proceeds from equity issuances from time to time, but is required by the Operating Partnership's partnership agreement to contribute the proceeds from its equity issuances to the Operating Partnership in exchange for partnership units of the Operating Partnership.

The Company is a well-known seasoned issuer with a shelf registration which expires in June 2015 that allows the Company to register unspecified, various classes of equity securities and the Operating Partnership to register unspecified, various classes of debt securities. As circumstances warrant, the Company may issue equity from time to time on an opportunistic basis, dependent upon market conditions and available pricing. The Operating Partnership may use the proceeds to repay debt, including borrowings under its lines of credit, develop new or existing properties, to make acquisitions of properties or portfolios of properties, to invest in existing or newly created joint ventures or for general corporate purposes.

The liquidity of the Company is dependent on the Operating Partnership's ability to make sufficient distributions to the Company. The Company also guarantees some of the Operating Partnership's debt. If the Operating Partnership fails to fulfill its debt requirements, which trigger the Company's guarantee obligations, then the Company may be required to fulfill its cash payment commitments under such guarantees. However, the Company's only material asset is its investment in the Operating Partnership.

The Company believes the Operating Partnership's sources of working capital, specifically its cash flow from operations, and borrowings available under its unsecured credit facilities, are adequate for it to make its distribution payments to the Company and, in turn, for the Company to make its dividend payments to its shareholders. However, there can be no assurance that the Operating Partnership's sources of capital will continue to be available at all or in amounts sufficient to meet its needs, including its ability to make distribution payments to the Company. The unavailability of capital could adversely affect the Operating Partnership's ability to pay its distributions to the Company, which will in turn, adversely affect the Company's ability to pay cash dividends to its shareholders.

For the Company to maintain its qualification as a real estate investment trust, it must pay dividends to its shareholders aggregating annually at least 90% of its taxable income. While historically the Company has satisfied this distribution requirement by making cash distributions to its shareholders, it may choose to satisfy this requirement by making distributions of cash or other property, including, in limited circumstances, the Company's own shares. Based on our 2012 taxable income to shareholders, we were required to distribute approximately \$59.0 million to our shareholders in order to maintain our REIT status as described above. We distributed approximately \$76.9 million to shareholders which significantly exceeds our required distributions. If events were to occur that would cause our dividend to be reduced, we believe we still have an adequate margin regarding required dividend payments based on our historic dividend and taxable income levels to maintain our REIT status.

As a result of this distribution requirement, the Operating Partnership cannot rely on retained earnings to fund its on-going operations to the same extent that other companies whose parent companies are not real estate investment trusts can. The Company may need to continue to raise capital in the equity markets to fund the Operating Partnership's working capital needs, as well as potential developments of new or existing properties, acquisitions or investments in existing or newly created joint ventures.

As the sole owner of the general partner with control of the Operating Partnership, the Company consolidates the Operating Partnership for financial reporting purposes. The Company does not have significant assets other than its investment in the Operating Partnership. Therefore, the assets and liabilities and the revenues and expenses of the Company and the Operating Partnership are the same on their respective financial statements, except for immaterial differences related to cash, other assets and accrued liabilities that arise from public company expenses paid by the Company. However, all debt is held directly or indirectly at the Operating Partnership level, and the Company has guaranteed some of the Operating Partnership's unsecured debt as discussed below. Because the Company consolidates the Operating Partnership, the section entitled "Liquidity and Capital Resources of the Operating Partnership" should be read in conjunction with this section to understand the liquidity and capital resources of the Company on a consolidated basis and how the Company is operated as a whole.

# Liquidity and Capital Resources of the Operating Partnership

#### **General Overview**

In this "Liquidity and Capital Resources of the Operating Partnership" section, the terms "we", "our" and "us" refer to the Operating Partnership or the Operating Partnership and the Company together, as the text requires.

Property rental income represents our primary source to pay property operating expenses, debt service, capital expenditures and distributions, excluding non-recurring capital expenditures and acquisitions. To the extent that our cash flow from operating activities is insufficient to cover such non-recurring capital expenditures and acquisitions, we finance such activities from borrowings under our unsecured lines of credit or from the proceeds from the Operating Partnership's debt offerings and the Company's equity offerings.

We believe we achieve a strong and flexible financial position by attempting to: (1) maintain a conservative leverage position relative to our portfolio when pursuing new development, expansion and acquisition opportunities, (2) extend and sequence debt maturities, (3) manage our interest rate risk through a proper mix of fixed and variable rate debt, (4) maintain access to liquidity by using our lines of credit in a conservative manner and (5) preserve internally generated sources of capital by strategically divesting of our underperforming assets and maintaining a conservative distribution payout ratio. We manage our capital structure to reflect a long-term investment approach and utilize multiple sources of capital to meet our requirements.

#### Statements of Cash Flows

The following table sets forth our changes in cash flows from 2012 and 2011 (in thousands):

		2012		2012 2011		Change	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	165,753	\$	136,053	\$	29,700	
Net cash used in investing activities		(147,909)		(361,076)		213,167	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(15,415)		227,218		(242,633)	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,429	\$	2,195	\$	234	

#### Operating Activities

The increase in cash provided by operating activities is primarily due to the incremental cash flow provided by the addition of the Hilton Head I, South Carolina; Jeffersonville, Ohio; Atlantic City, New Jersey; Ocean City, Maryland; and Hershey, Pennsylvania; centers to our portfolio throughout 2011. In addition, rental income generated from existing properties in our portfolio increased due to increases in rental rates on lease renewals and incremental rents from re-tenanting vacant spaces.

#### **Investing Activities**

Cash flow used in investing activities was higher in the 2011 period compared to the 2012 period due primarily to the \$266.2 million spent in 2011 to acquire the outlet centers in Jeffersonville, Ohio; Atlantic City, New Jersey: Ocean City, Maryland; and Hershey, Pennsylvania. The 2011 period also included approximately \$9.6 million of capital expenditures for the completion of the redevelopment of the Hilton Head I, South Carolina outlet center which opened in March 2011. The investing activities in the 2012 period were primarily related to additional investments in unconsolidated joint ventures, including \$54.3 million invested in our RioCan joint venture to acquire the Bromont, Quebec and Saint-Sauveur, Quebec properties in November 2012 and to retire mortgage debt associated with the Cookstown, Ontario property in March 2012, \$19.4 million to fund construction activities at the Tanger outlet center in Glendale, Arizona and \$27.5 million to fund construction activities at the Tanger outlet center in Texas City, Texas.

#### Financing Activities

Cash provided by financing activities was higher in the 2011 period than the 2012 period due to the amounts required to fund the \$266.2 million in acquisitions during 2011 as described above. For the 2012 period, dividends and distributions paid to shareholders and unitholders of \$81.8 million, up \$5.8 million from the 2011 period, exceeded other sources and uses of cash required by our development activities and generated by our operating activities by \$15.3 million. The following is a summary of the 2012 and 2011 financing transactions:

#### 2012 Transactions

On February 24, 2012, the Operating Partnership closed on a seven-year \$250.0 million unsecured term loan. The term loan is interest only, matures in the first quarter of 2019 and is pre-payable without penalty beginning in February of 2015. Based on our current credit ratings, the loan has an interest rate of LIBOR + 1.80%. We used the net proceeds of the term loan to reduce the outstanding balances on our unsecured lines of credit.

#### 2011 Transactions

In June 2011, the Operating Partnership closed on a \$150.0 million senior unsecured bridge loan at an interest rate of LIBOR + 1.60% and used the proceeds from the loan to fund the acquisition of the Jeffersonville, Ohio outlet center. In November 2011, the Operating Partnership repaid this bridge loan in conjunction with the recast of its unsecured lines of credit.

In July 2011, the Company raised approximately \$117.4 million in cash through the issuance of 4.6 million common shares. The net proceeds from the offering were contributed to the Operating Partnership in exchange for 13,000 general partnership common units and 1,137,000 limited partnership common units.

In August 2011, the remaining outstanding \$7.2 million of our senior exchangeable notes were exchanged and 136,360 Company common shares were issued to note holders in addition to the principal repayments.

# **Current Development Activities**

We intend to continue to grow our portfolio by developing, expanding or acquiring additional outlet centers. In the section below, we describe the new developments that are either currently planned, underway or recently completed. However, you should note that any developments or expansions that we, or a joint venture that we are involved in, have planned or anticipated may not be started or completed as scheduled, or may not result in accretive net income or FFO. See the section "Funds From Operations" in the Management's Discussion and Analysis section for further discussion of FFO. In addition, we regularly evaluate acquisition or disposition proposals and engage from time to time in negotiations for acquisitions or dispositions of properties. We may also enter into letters of intent for the purchase or sale of properties. Any prospective acquisition or disposition that is being evaluated or which is subject to a letter of intent may not be consummated, or if consummated, may not result in an increase in liquidity, net income or funds from operations.

#### Unconsolidated Joint Venture Developments

We have formed joint venture arrangements to develop outlet centers that are currently in various stages of development in several markets. See "Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements" for a discussion of unconsolidated joint venture development activities.

#### Other Potential Future Developments

As of the date of this filing, we are in the initial study period for potential new developments, including sites located in Charlotte, North Carolina; Columbus, Ohio; Foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, Connecticut; Scottsdale, Arizona; Toronto, Ontario and Ottawa, Ontario. The Charlotte and Columbus sites, if developed, will be undertaken by joint ventures formed with Simon Properties Group. The Ottawa and Toronto sites, if developed, will be undertaken by our RioCan joint venture (see discussion under the caption "RioCan Canadian Joint Venture" in the section titled "Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements"). We may also use joint venture arrangements to develop other potential sites. There can be no assurance, however, that these potential future developments will ultimately be developed.

In the case of projects to be wholly-owned by us, we expect to fund these projects from amounts available under our unsecured lines of credit, but may also fund them with capital from additional public debt and equity offerings. For projects to be developed through joint venture arrangements, we may use collateralized construction loans to fund a portion of the project, with our share of the equity requirements funded from sources described above.

## **Financing Arrangements**

As of December 31, 2012, 90% of our outstanding debt represented unsecured borrowings and 90% of the gross book value of our real estate portfolio was unencumbered. We maintain unsecured lines of credit that provide for borrowings of up to \$520.0 million and bear interest at a rate of LIBOR + 1.25%. The unsecured lines of credit have an expiration date of November 10, 2015 with an option for a one year extension.

#### 2012 TRANSACTIONS

## \$250.0 Million Unsecured Term Loan

In February 2012, the Operating Partnership closed on a seven-year \$250.0 million unsecured term loan. The term loan will be interest only, matures in the first quarter of 2019 and is pre-payable without penalty beginning in the first quarter of 2015. Based on our current credit ratings, the loan has an initial interest rate of LIBOR + 1.80%. We used the net proceeds of the term loan to reduce the outstanding balances on our \$520.0 million unsecured lines of credit.

### 2011 TRANSACTIONS

### \$150.0 Million Senior Unsecured Bridge Loan

In June 2011, the Operating Partnership closed on a \$150.0 million senior unsecured bridge loan at an interest rate of LIBOR + 1.60% and used the proceeds from the loan to fund the acquisition of the Jeffersonville, Ohio outlet center. In November 2011, the Operating Partnership repaid this bridge loan in conjunction with the recast of its unsecured lines of credit, as discussed below.

## 4.6 Million Common Share Offering

In July 2011, the Company completed a public offering of 4.6 million common shares at a price of \$25.662 per share. The net proceeds to the Company from the offering, after deducting estimated offering expenses, were approximately \$117.4 million. Net proceeds from the offering were contributed to the Operating Partnership in exchange for 13,000 general partnership common units and 1,137,000 limited partnership common units. The Operating Partnership used the net proceeds from the offering to repay borrowings under its unsecured lines of credit and for general corporate purposes.

#### Assumption of Mortgages Payable

In association with the acquisitions disclosed in the "General Overview", the Operating Partnership assumed mortgage debt in the amount of \$112.7 million, including total fair value premiums of \$7.8 million.

Increase In Unsecured Lines of Credit to \$520.0 Million

In November, 2011, the Operating Partnership amended its \$400.0 million of unsecured lines of credit, increasing the total capacity to \$520.0 million (of which up to \$100.0 million may be borrowed in Canadian dollars) and extending the maturity through November 10, 2015.

The unsecured lines of credit include a \$20.0 million liquidity line as well as a \$500.0 million syndicated line. The syndicated line may be increased to \$750.0 million through an accordion feature in certain circumstances. We have the option to extend the lines for an additional year to November 10, 2016. As of the date of this filing, based on the Operating Partnership's long-term debt rating, the lines bear interest at a rate of LIBOR + 1.25% and require the payment of an annual facility fee of 0.25% on the total committed amount. Previously, the credit spread over LIBOR was 1.90% and the annual facility fee was 0.40%. The Company guarantees the Operating Partnership's obligations under these lines.

We intend to retain the ability to raise additional capital, including public debt or equity, to pursue attractive investment opportunities that may arise and to otherwise act in a manner that we believe to be in the best interests of our shareholders and unitholders. The Company is a well-known seasoned issuer with a shelf registration that allows us to register unspecified amounts of different classes of securities on Form S-3. To generate capital to reinvest into other attractive investment opportunities, we may also consider the use of additional operational and developmental joint ventures, the sale or lease of outparcels on our existing properties and the sale of certain properties that do not meet our long-term investment criteria. Based on cash provided by operations, existing lines of credit, ongoing relationships with certain financial institutions and our ability to sell debt or issue equity subject to market conditions, we believe that we have access to the necessary financing to fund the planned capital expenditures during 2013.

We anticipate that adequate cash will be available to fund our operating and administrative expenses, regular debt service obligations, and the payment of dividends in accordance with REIT requirements in both the short and long-term. Although we receive most of our rental payments on a monthly basis, distributions to shareholders and unitholders are made quarterly and interest payments on the senior, unsecured notes are made semi-annually. Amounts accumulated for such payments will be used in the interim to reduce the outstanding borrowings under our existing lines of credit or invested in short-term money market or other suitable instruments.

We believe our current balance sheet position is financially sound; however, due to the uncertainty and unpredictability of the capital and credit markets, we can give no assurance that affordable access to capital will exist between now and 2015 when our next significant debt maturities occur. As a result, our current primary focus is to strengthen our capital and liquidity position by controlling and reducing construction and overhead costs, generating positive cash flows from operations to cover our dividend and reducing outstanding debt.

## Capital Expenditures

The following table details our capital expenditures for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively (in thousands):

		2012		2011		Change	
Capital expenditures analysis:							
New center developments	\$	5,525	\$	4,579	\$	946	
Center redevelopment		392		9,606		(9,214)	
Major center renovations		10,129		6,315		3,814	
Second generation tenant allowances		10,794		11,367		(573)	
Other capital expenditures		7,871		10,272		(2,401)	
		34,711		42,139		(7,428)	
Conversion from accrual to cash basis		6,572		18,175	1	(11,603)	
Additions to rental property-cash basis	\$	41,283	\$	60,314	\$	(19,031)	

- New center development expenditures, which includes first generation tenant allowances, included expansions to our centers in Gonzales, Louisiana and Locust Grove, Georgia in the 2012 period. The 2011 period included our new center in Mebane, North Carolina, and expansions to our centers in Charleston, South Carolina and Locust Grove, Georgia.
- Center redevelopment relates to our Hilton Head I, South Carolina center which re-opened in March 2011.
- Major center renovations increased in the 2012 period due to our on-going renovation efforts at the centers acquired during the second and third quarters of 2011.

## **Contractual Obligations and Commercial Commitments**

The following table details our contractual obligations over the next five years and thereafter as of December 31, 2012 (in thousands):

Contractual Obligations	2	013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Thereafter	Total
Debt (1)	\$	4,633	\$ 3,599	\$460,645	\$ 30,279	\$ 3,004	\$ 587,529	\$1,089,689
Interest payment (2)	4	8,358	48,149	45,186	26,255	25,923	62,317	256,188
Operating leases		5,329	4,943	4,671	4,566	4,553	264,796	288,858
	\$ 5	8,320	\$ 56,691	\$510,502	\$ 61,100	\$ 33,480	\$ 914,642	\$1,634,735

- (1) These amounts represent total future cash payments related to debt obligations outstanding as of December 31, 2012.
- (2) These amounts represent future interest payments related to our debt obligations based on the fixed and variable interest rates specified in the associated debt agreements. All of our variable rate debt agreements are based on the one month LIBOR rate, thus for purposes of calculating future interest amounts on variable interest rate debt, the one month LIBOR rate as of December 31, 2012 was used.

In addition to the contractual payment obligations shown in the table above, we have \$5.9 million remaining as of December 31, 2012 related to various construction contracts for capital expenditure projects at centers throughout our portfolio. These amounts would be primarily funded by amounts available under our unsecured lines of credit but could also be funded by other sources of capital, such as collateralized construction loans or public debt and equity offerings. In addition, we have commitments to pay approximately \$8.4 million in tenant allowances for leases that are executed but where the tenant improvements have not been constructed because the tenant is not currently open. Payments are only made upon the tenant opening its store, completing its interior construction and submitting the necessary documentation required per its lease.

Our debt agreements require the maintenance of certain ratios, including debt service coverage and leverage, and limit the payment of dividends such that dividends and distributions will not exceed funds from operations, as defined in the agreements, for the prior fiscal year on an annual basis or 95% on a cumulative basis. We have historically been and currently are in compliance with all of our debt covenants. We expect to remain in compliance with all our existing debt covenants; however, should circumstances arise that would cause us to be in default, the various lenders would have the ability to accelerate the maturity on our outstanding debt.

Our senior, unsecured notes contain covenants and restrictions requiring us to meet certain financial ratios and reporting requirements. Key financial covenants and their covenant levels include:

Senior unsecured notes financial covenants <sup>(1)</sup>	Required	Actual
Total consolidated debt to adjusted total assets	< 60%	47%
Total secured debt to adjusted total assets	< 40%	5%
Total unencumbered assets to unsecured debt	> 135%	197%

<sup>(1)</sup> For a complete listing of all debt covenants related to our senior unsecured notes, as well as definitions of the above terms, refer to our applicable supplemental indenture filing with the SEC.

We operate in a manner intended to enable us to qualify as a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code, or the Code. A REIT which distributes at least 90% of its taxable income to its shareholders each year and which meets certain other conditions is not taxed on that portion of its taxable income which is distributed to its shareholders. Based on our 2012 taxable income to shareholders, we were required to distribute approximately \$59.0 million to our shareholders in order to maintain our REIT status as described above. We distributed approximately \$76.9 million to shareholders which significantly exceeds our required distributions. If in any taxable year the Company were to fail to qualify as a REIT and certain statutory relief provisions were not applicable, we would not be allowed a deduction for distributions to shareholders in computing taxable income and would be subject to U.S. federal income tax (including any applicable alternative minimum tax) on our taxable income at regular corporate rates.

## **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

The following table details certain information as of December 31, 2012 about various unconsolidated real estate joint ventures in which we have an ownership interest:

Joint Venture	Center Location	Ownership %	Square Feet	Carrying Value of Investment (in millions)
Deer Park	Deer Park, Long Island NY	33.3%	741,981	\$ 3.0
Deer Park Warehouse	Deer Park, Long Island NY	33.3%	29,253	_
Galveston/Houston	Texas City, TX	50.0%	352,705	36.7
National Harbor	Washington D.C. Metro Area	50.0%		2.6
RioCan Canada	Various	50.0%	434,562	62.2
Westgate	Glendale, AZ	58.0%	332,234	19.1
Wisconsin Dells	Wisconsin Dells, WI	50.0%	265,086	2.8
Other				0.2
Total				\$ 126.6

Each of the above joint ventures contain make whole provisions in the event that demands are made on any existing guarantees. In addition, the joint venture agreements contain other provisions where a venture partner can force the other partners to either buy or sell their investment in the joint venture. Should this occur, we may be required to sell the property to the venture partner or incur a significant cash outflow in order to maintain ownership of these outlet centers.

#### Deer Park, Long Island, New York

In October 2003, we and two other members each having a 33.3% ownership interest, established a joint venture to develop and own a shopping center in Deer Park, New York. The center, which now contains approximately 742,000 square feet, opened in October 2008.

On December 22, 2011, Deer Park closed on the refinancing of its mortgage and mezzanine loans. At the closing, Deer Park made a payment of \$20.0 million towards the principal amount of the mortgage bringing the new balance outstanding to \$231.9 million. Each of the three partners made an equity contribution to Deer Park prior to closing of \$6.4 million. The \$20.0 million principal payment was made from a combination of these three equity contributions totaling \$19.2 million and cash available within Deer Park. The principal balance on the mezzanine loan remained at \$15.0 million. The new interest rates for the mortgage and mezzanine loan are LIBOR + 3.50% and LIBOR + 5.00%, respectively. The maturity date of both the mortgage and the mezzanine loan is May 17, 2014, however the loans require certain financial covenants, such as debt service coverage and loan to value ratios, to be met at various measurement dates. Based on the calculation of its debt service coverage, which is based on information as of December 31, 2012, Deer Park was not in compliance with its coverage requirements. As a result, the lenders have the right, but not the obligation to require a principal payment in an amount sufficient to satisfy the debt service coverage test. Such principal payment, if necessary, may require additional capital contributions to Deer Park by its partners.

#### Deer Park Warehouse, Long Island, New York

In June 2008, we, along with our partners in Deer Park, entered into a joint venture to purchase a warehouse adjacent to the Tanger Outlet Center located in Deer Park, New York for a total purchase price of \$3.3 million and obtained mortgage financing of \$2.3 million. The interest only mortgage loan secured by the warehouse matured on May 17, 2011 and the joint venture did not qualify for the one year extension option. As a result, on June 1, 2012 the joint venture paid down the outstanding principal balance by \$500,000 to \$1.8 million and entered into a Loan Forbearance Agreement with the lender whereby the lender agreed that it would not enforce its rights under the loan documents until the trigger date of October 1, 2012 unless extended. Extension of the trigger date was contingent among other things upon delivering a fully executed contract to sell the property to an unaffiliated third-party purchaser. Although the joint venture did not meet all of the requirements for extending the trigger date, it has delivered a fully executed contract to sell the property which has been approved by the lender. Through closing, the joint venture is committed to make monthly debt service payments at an interest rate of LIBOR + 1.85%. Additional interest accrues at a rate of Prime + 5.5% less the amount paid.

# Galveston/Houston, Texas

In June 2011, we announced the formation of a joint venture for the development of a Tanger Outlet Center south of Houston in Texas City, Texas. The center grand opening occurred on October 19, 2012 and features over 85 brand name and designer outlet stores in the first phase of approximately 353,000 square feet, with room for expansion for a total build out of approximately 470,000 square feet. As of December 31, 2012, we and our partner had each contributed \$35.3 million in cash to the joint venture to fund development activities. We provide property management and marketing services to the center; and with our partner, are jointly providing development and leasing services.

## National Harbor Washington D.C. Metro Area

In May 2011, we announced the formation of a joint venture for the development of a Tanger Outlet Center at National Harbor in the Washington, D.C. Metro area. The planned Tanger Outlet Center is expected to contain approximately 80 brand name and designer outlet stores in a center measuring up to 340,000 square feet. In November 2012, the joint venture broke ground and began site development. Both parties have made initial equity contributions of \$2.6 million to fund certain pre-development costs. In February 2013, the joint venture executed a term sheet for a three year construction loan with the ability to borrow up to \$61.0 million, which carries an interest rate of LIBOR + 1.65%. The joint venture currently expects to close on the loan by the end of April 2013. We have agreed to provide property management, leasing and marketing services to the joint venture, and with our partner, to jointly provide site development and construction supervision services.

#### RioCan Canadian Joint Venture

During 2011 we announced the formation of an exclusive joint venture with RioCan Real Estate Investment Trust for the acquisition, development and leasing of sites across Canada that are suitable for development or redevelopment as outlet shopping centers similar in concept and design to those within our existing U.S. portfolio. Any projects developed will be co-owned by us and RioCan on a 50/50 basis and will be branded as Tanger Outlet Centers. We have agreed to provide leasing and marketing services to the venture and RioCan will provide development and property management services. There can be no assurance that the current plans of the joint venture to develop outlet centers in Canada as described above will be fully realized.

In December 2011, the RioCan joint venture purchased the Cookstown Outlet Mall. The existing outlet center was acquired for \$47.4 million, plus an additional \$13.8 million for excess land upon the seller meeting certain conditions, for an aggregate purchase price of \$61.2 million. In connection with the purchase, the joint venture assumed the in place financing of \$29.6 million. In March 2012, the joint venture retired the outstanding loan and we contributed an additional \$15.1 million to the joint venture to fund our portion of the payment.

During the first quarter of 2012, the joint venture terminated an option contract to develop a center in Halton Hills, Ontario and accordingly wrote-off capitalized pre-development costs of approximately \$1.4 million.

In November 2012, the RioCan joint venture acquired two existing outlet centers in the Montreal, Quebec market for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$94.8 million. The purchase price includes the assumption of mortgages totaling \$18.7 million at Les Factoreries Saint-Sauveur, which carry a weighted average interest rate of 5.7% and mature in 2015 and 2020. There is no in-place financing associated with the Bromont Outlet Mall acquisition.

Les Factoreries Saint-Sauveur, is located northwest of Montreal adjacent to Highway 15 in the town of Saint-Sauveur, Quebec. The property was built in 1980 and expanded in 2006, and is approximately 136,000 square feet with the potential to expand to approximately 131,000 square feet. This outlet center features many national brands such as, Nike, Tommy Hilfiger, Reebok, Guess, Jones New York, Naturalizer and Parasuco.

The Bromont Outlet Mall, is located east of Montreal near the eastern townships adjacent to Highway 10 in the town of Bromont, Quebec. The property was built in 2004 and expanded through 2011, and is approximately 163,000 square feet with the potential to expand to approximately 251,000 square feet. This outlet center features many national brands such as, Point Zero, Tommy Hilfiger, Guess, Puma, Mexx, and Urban Planet. Bromont is located at the base of Mont Brome.

## Westgate, Glendale, Arizona

In May 2012, we formed a joint venture for the development of a Tanger Outlet Center in Glendale, Arizona. The center grand opening occurred on November 15, 2012 and features over 80 brand name and designer outlet stores in the first phase of approximately 332,000 square feet, with room for expansion for a total build out of approximately 410,000 square feet. As of December 31, 2012, we contributed \$19.4 million in cash to the joint venture to fund development activities. We provide property management, construction supervision, leasing and marketing services to the joint venture. In June 2012, the joint venture closed on a construction loan with the ability to borrow up to \$48.3 million, which carries an interest rate of LIBOR + 1.75%. As of December 31, 2012, the joint venture's balance on the loan was \$32.0 million.

#### Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin

In March 2005, we established the Wisconsin Dells joint venture to construct and operate a Tanger Outlet Center in Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin. In December 2012, the joint venture closed on the refinance of its \$24.3 million mortgage loan. The refinanced interest-only, non-recourse mortgage loan has a 10 year term and carries an interest rate of LIBOR + 2.25%. We are providing property management, leasing and marketing services to the joint venture.

The following table details the debt maturities of the unconsolidated joint ventures as of December 31, 2012 (in millions):

Joint Venture	tal Joint ture Debt	Maturity Date	Interest Rate
Deer Park	\$ 246.9	May 2014	LIBOR + 3.50% to 5.00%
Deer Park Warehouse	\$ 1.9	May 2011	Prime + 5.5%
RioCan Canada	\$ 20.1	June 2015 and May 2020	5.10% to 5.75%
Westgate	\$ 32.0	June 2015	LIBOR + 1.75%
Wisconsin Dells	\$ 24.3	December 2022	LIBOR + 2.25%

Management, leasing and marketing fees we received for services provided to our unconsolidated joint ventures during 2012, 2011 and 2010, which we believe approximate current market rates, were recognized as follows (in thousands):

		Year	End	ded December 31,			
		2012		2011		2010	
Fees:	<del></del>						
Development	\$	427	\$	_	\$	_	
Loan guarantee		80		<del></del>			
Management and leasing		2,102		1,958		1,927	
Marketing		433		163		154	
Total Fees	\$	3,042	\$	2,121	\$	2,081	

#### Critical Accounting Estimates

We believe the following critical accounting policies affect our more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements.

#### **Principles of Consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements of the Company include its accounts and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, as well as the Operating Partnership and its subsidiaries. The consolidated financial statements of the Operating Partnership include its accounts and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. Intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. Investments in real estate joint ventures in which we have a non-controlling ownership interest are accounted for using the equity method of accounting.

In accordance with amended guidance related to the consolidation of variable interest entities which became effective January 1, 2010, we perform an analysis of all of our real estate joint ventures to determine whether they qualify as variable interest entities, ("VIE"), and whether the joint venture should be consolidated or accounted for as an equity method investment in an unconsolidated joint venture. Our analysis includes our judgment with respect to our level of influence or control of an entity and whether we are the primary beneficiary of a VIE. We consider various factors including the form of our ownership interest, our representation in an entity's governance, the size of our investment, our ability to participate in policy making decisions and the rights of the other investors to participate in the decision making process to replace us as manager and or liquidate the venture, if applicable. If we do not evaluate these joint ventures correctly under the amended guidance, we could significantly overstate or understate our financial condition and results of operations.

# **Acquisition of Real Estate**

We allocate the purchase price of acquisitions based on the fair value of land, building, tenant improvements, debt and deferred lease costs and other intangibles, such as the value of leases with above or below market rents, origination costs associated with the in-place leases, and the value of in-place leases and tenant relationships, if any. We depreciate the amount allocated to building, deferred lease costs and other intangible assets over their estimated useful lives, which generally range from 3 to 33 years. The values of the above and below market leases are amortized and recorded as either an increase (in the case of below market leases) or a decrease (in the case of above market leases) to rental income over the remaining term of the associated lease. The values of below market leases that are considered to have renewal periods with below market rents are amortized over the remaining term of the associated lease plus the renewal periods. The value associated with in-place leases is amortized over the remaining lease term and tenant relationships is amortized over the expected term, which includes an estimated probability of the lease renewal. If a tenant terminates its lease prior to the contractual termination date of the lease and no rental payments are being made on the lease, any unamortized balance of the related deferred lease costs is written off. The tenant improvements and origination costs are amortized as an expense over the remaining life of the lease (or charged against earnings if the lease is terminated prior to its contractual expiration date). We assess fair value based on estimated cash flow projections that utilize appropriate discount and capitalization rates and available market information.

If we do not allocate appropriately to the separate components of rental property, deferred lease costs and other intangibles or if we do not estimate correctly the total value of the property or the useful lives of the assets, our computation of depreciation and amortization expense may be significantly understated or overstated.

### **Cost Capitalization**

We capitalize all incremental, direct fees and costs incurred to originate operating leases as deferred charges. We amortize these costs to expense over the minimum lease term. We capitalize all costs incurred for the construction and development of properties, including interest costs, during the active development period.

If we incorrectly estimate the amount of costs to capitalize, we could significantly overstate or understate our financial condition and results of operations.

#### Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and Investments in Unconsolidated Entities

Rental property held and used by us is reviewed for impairment in the event that facts and circumstances indicate the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. In such an event, we compare the estimated future undiscounted cash flows associated with the asset to the asset's carrying amount, and if less, recognize an impairment loss in an amount by which the carrying amount exceeds its fair value. If we do not recognize impairments at appropriate times and in appropriate amounts, our consolidated balance sheet may overstate the value of our long-lived assets. We believe that no impairment existed at December 31, 2012.

On a periodic basis, we assess whether there are any indicators that the value of our investments in unconsolidated joint ventures may be impaired. An investment is impaired only if management's estimate of the value of the investment is less than the carrying value of the investments, and such decline in value is deemed to be other than temporary. To the extent impairment has occurred, the loss shall be measured as the excess of the carrying amount of the investment over the value of the investment. Our estimates of value for each joint venture investment are based on a number of assumptions that are subject to economic and market uncertainties including, among others, demand for space, competition for tenants, changes in market rental rates and operating costs of the property. As these factors are difficult to predict and are subject to future events that may alter our assumptions, the values estimated by us in our impairment analysis may not be realized.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

Base rentals are recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. As a provision of a tenant lease, if we make a cash payment to the tenant for purposes other than funding the construction of landlord assets, we defer the amount of such payments as a lease incentive. We amortize lease incentives as a reduction of base rental revenue over the term of the lease. Substantially all leases contain provisions which provide additional rents based on each tenants' sales volume ("percentage rentals") and reimbursement of the tenants' share of advertising and promotion, common area maintenance, insurance and real estate tax expenses. Percentage rentals are recognized when specified targets that trigger the contingent rent are met. Expense reimbursements are recognized in the period the applicable expenses are incurred. Payments received from the early termination of leases are recognized as revenue from the time payment is receivable until the tenant vacates the space.

## **New Accounting Pronouncements**

In December 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued guidance about offsetting assets and liabilities. The new disclosures require that entities disclose both gross and net information about recognized financial instruments and derivative instruments that are offset in the statement of financial position, or subject to an enforceable master netting arrangement or similar agreement irrespective of whether they are offset in the statement of financial position. The guidance will be effective prospectively for interim and annual periods beginning after January 1, 2013. We are in the process of evaluating this guidance and currently do not believe that it will have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

In February 2013, FASB issued guidance establishing new requirements for disclosing reclassifications of items out of accumulated other comprehensive income ("AOCI"). Specifically, (1) disclosure is required of the changes in components of AOCI, (2) disclosure is required of the effects on individual line items in net income for each item of AOCI that is reclassified in its entirety to net income, and (3) cross references are required to other disclosures that provide additional details for AOCI items that are not reclassified in their entirety to net income. The guidance will be effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2012. We are in the process of evaluating this guidance and currently do not believe that it will have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL EARNINGS MEASURES

## Funds from Operations

Funds from Operations represents income before extraordinary items and gains (losses) on sale or disposal of depreciable operating properties, plus depreciation and amortization uniquely significant to real estate, impairment losses on depreciable real estate of consolidated real estate and after adjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and joint ventures, including depreciation and amortization, and impairment losses on investments in unconsolidated joint ventures driven by a measurable decrease in the fair value of depreciable real estate held by the unconsolidated joint ventures.

FFO is intended to exclude historical cost depreciation of real estate as required by United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"), which assumes that the value of real estate assets diminishes ratably over time. Historically, however, real estate values have risen or fallen with market conditions. Because FFO excludes depreciation and amortization unique to real estate, gains and losses from property dispositions and extraordinary items, it provides a performance measure that, when compared year over year, reflects the impact to operations from trends in occupancy rates, rental rates, operating costs, development activities and interest costs, providing perspective not immediately apparent from net income.

We present FFO because we consider it an important supplemental measure of our operating performance and believe it is frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in the evaluation of REITs, many of which present FFO when reporting their results. FFO is widely used by us and others in our industry to evaluate and price potential acquisition candidates. The National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, Inc., of which we are a member, has encouraged its member companies to report their FFO as a supplemental, industry-wide standard measure of REIT operating performance. In addition, a percentage of bonus compensation to certain members of management is based on our FFO performance.

FFO has significant limitations as an analytical tool, and you should not consider it in isolation, or as a substitute for analysis of our results as reported under GAAP. Some of these limitations are:

- FFO does not reflect our cash expenditures, or future requirements, for capital expenditures or contractual commitments;
- · FFO does not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, our working capital needs;
- Although depreciation and amortization are non-cash charges, the assets being depreciated and amortized will often have to be replaced in the future, and FFO does not reflect any cash requirements for such replacements;
- FFO, which includes discontinued operations, may not be indicative of our ongoing operations; and
- Other companies in our industry may calculate FFO differently than we do, limiting its usefulness as a comparative measure.

Because of these limitations, FFO should not be considered as a measure of discretionary cash available to us to invest in the growth of our business or our dividend paying capacity. We compensate for these limitations by relying primarily on our GAAP results and using FFO only supplementally.

Below is a reconciliation of net income to FFO for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 as well as other data for those respective periods (in thousands, except per share and unit amounts):

	2012	2011	2010		
Funds from Operations:					
Net income (1)	\$ 56,476	\$ 50,989	\$	38,244	
Adjusted for:					
Depreciation and amortization uniquely significant to real estate - discontinued operations				87	
Depreciation and amortization uniquely significant to real estate - consolidated	97,760	83,275		77,526	
Depreciation and amortization uniquely significant to real estate - unconsolidated joint ventures	8,105	5,175		5,146	
Impairment charges - consolidated properties	· —	· —		846	
Impairment charges - unconsolidated joint ventures	 140	 300			
Funds from operations <sup>(1)</sup>	162,481	 139,739		121,849	
Preferred share dividends				(5,297)	
Original issuance costs related to redeemed preferred shares	_			(2,539)	
FFO attributable to noncontrolling interests in other consolidated partnerships	(26)	(37)			
Allocation of FFO to participating securities	 (1,576)	(1,240)		(939)	
Funds from operations available to common shareholders and noncontrolling interests in Operating Partnership	\$ 160,879	\$ 138,462	\$	113,074	
Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.:					
Weighted average common shares outstanding (2) (3)	98,605	96,021		92,523	
Dilutive funds from operations per share	\$ 1.63	\$ 1.44	\$	1.22	
Tanger Properties Limited Partnership:					
Weighted average Operating Partnership units outstanding (2)	24,651	24,005		23,131	
Dilutive funds from operations per unit	\$ 6.53	\$ 5.77	\$	4.89	

<sup>(1)</sup> The year ended December 31, 2010 includes gains on sales of outparcels of land of \$161,000.

#### Adjusted Funds from Operations

We present Adjusted Funds From Operations ("AFFO"), as a supplemental measure of our performance. We define AFFO as FFO further adjusted to eliminate the impact of certain items that we do not consider indicative of our ongoing operating performance. These further adjustments are itemized in the table below. You are encouraged to evaluate these adjustments and the reasons we consider them appropriate for supplemental analysis. In evaluating AFFO you should be aware that in the future we may incur expenses that are the same as or similar to some of the adjustments in this presentation. Our presentation of AFFO should not be construed as an inference that our future results will be unaffected by unusual or non-recurring items.

We present AFFO because we believe it assists investors and analysts in comparing our performance across reporting periods on a consistent basis by excluding items that we do not believe are indicative of our core operating performance. In addition, we use AFFO, or some form of AFFO, when certain material, unplanned transactions occur, as a factor in evaluating management's performance when determining incentive compensation and to evaluate the effectiveness of our business strategies.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes the dilutive effect of options, notional units and exchangeable notes.

<sup>(3)</sup> Assumes the partnership units of the Operating Partnership held by the noncontrolling interest are converted to common shares of the Company.

AFFO has limitations as an analytical tool. Some of these limitations are:

- AFFO does not reflect our cash expenditures, or future requirements, for capital expenditures or contractual commitments;
- AFFO does not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, our working capital needs;
- although depreciation and amortization are non-cash charges, the assets being depreciated and amortized will often have to be replaced in the future, and AFFO does not reflect any cash requirements for such replacements;
- AFFO does not reflect the impact of certain cash charges resulting from matters we consider not to be indicative of our ongoing operations; and
- other companies in our industry may calculate AFFO differently than we do, limiting its usefulness as a comparative measure.

Because of these limitations, AFFO should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for performance measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. We compensate for these limitations by relying primarily on our GAAP results and using AFFO only supplementally.

Below is a reconciliation of FFO to AFFO for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 as well as other data for those respective periods (in thousands, except per share and unit amounts):

		2012	:	2011	;	2010
Adjusted Funds from Operations:						
Funds from operations <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 1	162,481	\$1	39,739	\$1	21,849
Adjusted for non-core items:						
Loss on termination of derivatives						6,142
Acquisition Costs		117		2,736		82
Abandoned development costs		_		158		365
Demolition costs Hilton Head I, South Carolina		_		_		699
Loss on early extinguishment of debt						563
Gain on sale of outparcel		_				(161)
AFFO adjustments from unconsolidated joint ventures (2)		1,370				
Adjusted funds from operations (AFFO)		163,968	1	42,633	1	29,539
Preferred share dividends		_				(5,297)
AFFO attributable to noncontrolling interests in other consolidated partnerships		(26)		(37)		_
Allocation of AFFO to participating securities		(1,590)		(1,266)		(1,022)
Adjusted funds from operations available to common shareholders and noncontrolling interest in Operating Partnership	\$ ^	162,352	\$1	41,330	\$1	23,220
Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.:			-	<u></u>		
Weighted average common shares outstanding (3) (4)		98,605		96,021		92,523
Dilutive adjusted funds from operations per share	\$	1.65	\$	1.47	\$	1.33
Tanger Properties Limited Partnership:						
Weighted average Operating Partnership units outstanding (3)		24,651		24,005		23,131
Dilutive adjusted funds from operations per unit	\$	6.59	\$	5.89	\$	5.33
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- (1) The year ended December 31, 2010 includes gains on sales of outparcels of land of \$161,000.
- (2) Includes our share of acquisition costs, abandoned development costs and gain on early extinguishment of debt.
- (3) Includes the dilutive effect of options, notional units and exchangeable notes.
- (4) Assumes the partnership units of the Operating Partnership held by the noncontrolling interest are converted to common shares of the Company.

#### Same Center Net Operating Income

We present Same Center Net Operating Income as a supplemental measure of our performance. We define Net Operating Income ("NOI") as total operating revenues less property operating expenses. Same Center NOI represents the NOI for the stabilized properties that were operational for the entire portion of both comparable reporting periods and which were not acquired, expanded, renovated or subject to a material, non-recurring event, such as a natural disaster, during the comparable reporting periods. We believe that NOI and Same Center NOI provide useful information to our investors and analysts about our financial and operating performance because it provides a performance measure of the revenues and expenses directly involved in owning and operating real estate assets and provides a perspective not immediately apparent from net income or FFO. Because Same Center NOI excludes the change in NOI from properties developed, redeveloped, acquired and disposed of, it highlights operating trends such as occupancy levels, rental rates and operating costs on properties that were operational for both comparable periods. Other REITs may use different methodologies for calculating Same Center NOI, and accordingly, our Same Center NOI may not be comparable to other REITs.

Same Center NOI should not be viewed as an alternative measure of the Company's financial performance since it does not reflect the operations of the Company's entire portfolio, nor does it reflect the impact of general and administrative expenses, acquisition-related expenses, interest expense, depreciation and amortization costs, other non-property income and losses, and the level of capital expenditures and leasing costs necessary to maintain the operating performance of the Company's properties that could materially impact the Company's results from operations.

Below is a reconciliation of income before equity in losses of unconsolidated joint ventures and discontinued operations to Same Center NOI for the years ended December 31, 2012, and 2011 (in thousands):

	2012	2	2011
Same Center Net Operating Income			
Income before equity in losses of unconsolidated joint ventures and discontinued operations	\$ 59,771	\$	52,554
Interest expense	49,814		45,382
Operating income	109,585		97,936
Adjusted to exclude:			
Depreciation and amortization	98,683		84,015
Abandoned development costs	_		158
Acquisition costs	117		2,736
General and administrative expenses	37,452		30,132
Property net operating income	245,837	2	214,977
Less: non-cash adjustments and termination rents (1)	 (5,744)		(5,427)
Property net operating income - cash basis	240,093	2	209,550
Less: non-same center and other NOI	(44,136)	(	(24,684)
Total same center NOI - cash basis	\$ 195,957	\$ 1	184,866

<sup>(1)</sup> Non-cash items include straight-line rent, net above and below market rent amortization and gains or losses on outparcel sales.

#### **Economic Conditions and Outlook**

The majority of our leases contain provisions designed to mitigate the impact of inflation. Such provisions include clauses for the escalation of base rent and clauses enabling us to receive percentage rentals based on tenants' gross sales (above predetermined levels, which we believe often are lower than traditional retail industry standards) which generally increase as prices rise. Most of the leases require the tenant to pay their share of property operating expenses, including common area maintenance, real estate taxes, insurance and advertising and promotion, thereby reducing exposure to increases in costs and operating expenses resulting from inflation.

While we believe outlet stores will continue to be a profitable and fundamental distribution channel for many brand name manufacturers, some retail formats are more successful than others. As is typical in the retail industry, certain tenants have closed, or will close, certain stores by terminating their lease prior to its natural expiration or as a result of filing for protection under bankruptcy laws.

Due to the relatively short-term nature of our tenants' leases, a significant portion of the leases in our portfolio come up for renewal each year. During 2012, approximately 1.8 million square feet, or 17%, of our then owned, consolidated portfolio came up for renewal and 1.9 million, or 18%, of our current consolidated portfolio will come up for renewal in 2013. During 2012, we renewed 85% of the square feet that came up for renewal with the existing tenants at a 16% increase in the average base rental rate compared to the expiring rate. We also re-tenanted 450,000 square feet at a 54% increase in the average base rental rate. In addition, we continue to attract and retain additional tenants. However, there can be no assurance that we can achieve similar increases in base rental rates. In addition, if we were unable to successfully renew or release a significant amount of this space on favorable economic terms, the loss in rent could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

Our outlet centers typically include well-known, national, brand name companies. By maintaining a broad base of well-known tenants and a geographically diverse portfolio of properties located across the United States, we reduce our operating and leasing risks. No one tenant (including affiliates) accounts for more than 7.9% of our square feet or 6.3% of our combined base and percentage rental revenues. Accordingly, although we can give no assurance, we do not expect any material adverse impact on our results of operations and financial condition as a result of leases to be renewed or stores to be released. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively, occupancy at our consolidated outlet centers was 99% and 98%, respectively.

## Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

#### Market Risk

We are exposed to various market risks, including changes in interest rates. Market risk is the potential loss arising from adverse changes in market rates and prices, such as interest rates. We may periodically enter into certain interest rate protection and interest rate swap agreements to effectively convert existing floating rate debt to a fixed rate basis. We do not enter into derivatives or other financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes. As of December 31, 2012, we were not a party to any interest rate protection agreements.

As of December 31, 2012, 39% of our outstanding debt had variable interest rates and therefore were subject to market fluctuations. An increase in the LIBOR index of 100 basis points would result in an increase of approximately \$4.3 million in interest expense on an annual basis. The information presented herein is merely an estimate and has limited predictive value. As a result, the ultimate effect upon our operating results of interest rate fluctuations will depend on the interest rate exposures that arise during the period, our hedging strategies at that time and future changes in the level of interest rates.

The estimated fair value of our debt, consisting of senior unsecured notes, unsecured term loan and unsecured lines of credit, at December 31, 2012 and 2011 was \$1.2 billion and \$1.1 billion, respectively, and its recorded value was \$1.1 billion and \$1.0 billion, respectively. A 100 basis point increase from prevailing interest rates at December 31, 2012 and 2011 would result in a decrease in fair value of total debt by approximately \$34.8 million and \$37.5 million, respectively. Fair values were determined, based on level 2 inputs, using discounted cash flow analysis with an interest rate or credit spread similar to that of current market borrowing arrangements.

## Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

The information required by this Item is set forth on the pages indicated in Item 15(a) below.

### Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements With Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

Not applicable.

#### Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.

(a) Evaluation of disclosure control procedures.

The Chief Executive Officer, Steven B. Tanger, and Chief Financial Officer, Frank C. Marchisello Jr., evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures on December 31, 2012 and concluded that, as of that date, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that the information the Company is required to disclose in its filings with the SEC under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

(b) Management's report on internal control over financial reporting.

Internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act, is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the Company's board of directors, management and other personnel, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Company's management, with the participation of the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, is responsible for establishing and maintaining policies and procedures designed to maintain the adequacy of the Company's internal control over financial reporting, including those policies and procedures that:

- (1) Pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company;
- (2) Provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Company; and
- (3) Provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

The Company's management has evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012 based on the criteria established in a report entitled Internal Control-Integrated Framework, issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on our assessment and those criteria, the Company's management has concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective at the reasonable assurance level as of December 31, 2012.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

The effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012 has been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which appears herein.

(c) There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by paragraph (d) of Exchange Act Rules 13a-15 or 15d-15 that occurred during our last fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2012 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### Tanger Properties Limited Partnership

(a) Evaluation of disclosure control procedures.

The Chief Executive Officer, Steven B. Tanger (Principal Executive Officer), and Vice President and Treasurer, Frank C. Marchisello Jr. (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer) of Tanger GP Trust, sole general partner of the Operating Partnership, evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures on December 31, 2012 and concluded that, as of that date, the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that the information the registrant is required to disclose in its filings with the Commission under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms, and to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the registrant in the reports that it files under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the registrant's management, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

(b) Management's report on internal control over financial reporting.

Internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act, is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the Operating Partnership's Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the Operating Partnership's board of trustees, management and other personnel, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Operating Partnership's management, with the participation of the Operating Partnership's Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, has established and maintained policies and procedures designed to maintain the adequacy of the Operating Partnership's internal control over financial reporting, including those policies and procedures that:

- (1) Pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Operating Partnership;
- (2) Provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Operating Partnership are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and trustees of the Operating Partnership; and
- (3) Provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Operating Partnership's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

The Operating Partnership's management has evaluated the effectiveness of the Operating Partnership's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012 based on the criteria established in a report entitled Internal Control-Integrated Framework, issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on our assessment and those criteria, the Operating Partnership's management has concluded that the Operating Partnership's internal control over financial reporting was effective at the reasonable assurance level as of December 31, 2012.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that

controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

The effectiveness of the Operating Partnership's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012 has been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which appears herein.

(c) There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by paragraph (d) of Exchange Act Rules 13a-15 or 15d-15 that occurred during our last fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2012 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

### Item 9B. Other Information

All information required to be disclosed in a report on Form 8-K during the fourth quarter of 2012 was reported.

#### **PART III**

Certain information required by Part III is omitted from this Report in that the Company will file a definitive proxy statement pursuant to Regulation 14A, or the Proxy Statement, not later than 120 days after the end of the fiscal year covered by this Report, and certain information included therein is incorporated herein by reference. Only those sections of the Proxy Statement which specifically address the items set forth herein are incorporated by reference.

### Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

The information concerning the Company's directors required by this Item is incorporated herein by reference to the Company's Proxy Statement to be filed with respect to the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders which is expected to be held on May 17, 2013.

The information concerning the Company's executive officers required by this Item is incorporated herein by reference to the section at the end of Part I, entitled "Executive Officers of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.".

The information regarding compliance with Section 16 of the Exchange Act is incorporated herein by reference to the Company's Proxy Statement to be filed with respect to the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders which is expected to be held on May 17, 2013.

The information concerning our Company Code of Ethics required by this Item, which is posted on our website at www.tangeroutlet.com, is incorporated herein by reference to the Company's Proxy Statement to be filed with respect to the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders which is expected to be held on May 17, 2013. The information found on, or otherwise accessible through, our website is not incorporated into, and does not form a part of, this annual report on Form 10-K or any other report or document we file with or furnish to the SEC.

The information concerning our corporate governance required by this Item is incorporated herein by reference to the Company's Proxy Statement to be filed with respect to the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders which is expected to be held on May 17, 2013.

## Item 11. Executive Compensation

The information required by this Item is incorporated herein by reference to the Company's Proxy Statement to be filed with respect to the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders which is expected to be held on May 17, 2013.

# Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Shareholder Matters.

The information concerning the security ownership of certain beneficial owners and management required by this Item is incorporated by reference herein to the Company's Proxy Statement to be filed with respect to the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders which is expected to be held on May 17, 2013.

The following table provides information as of December 31, 2012 with respect to compensation plans under which the Company's equity securities are authorized for issuance:

Plan Category	(a) Number of Securities to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights (1)	Exerci Out Option	(b) ted Average ise Price of standing is, Warrants d Rights	(c) Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Column (a))
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	1,391,800	\$	22.16	3,545,420
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders			_	
Total	1,391,800	\$	22.16	3,545,420

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes 1,176,000 restricted common shares, the maximum amount of restricted common shares that may be issued under the 2010 Multi-Year Performance Plan. Under the Plan, the Company issued 392,000 notional units, net of notional units forfeited, which will convert into restricted common shares on a one-for one basis, one-for two basis, or one-for-three basis depending upon the amount by which the Company's common shares appreciate above a minimum level over a four year performance period ending December 31, 2013. The weighted average exercise price in column (b) does not take these awards into account.

The following table provides information as of December 31, 2012 with respect to compensation plans under which the Operating Partnership's equity securities are authorized for issuance:

Plan Category	(a) Number of Securities to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights (1)	Exerc Ou Optio	(b) hted Average cise Price of htstanding hs, Warrants hd Rights	(c) Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Column (a))			
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	347,950	\$	88.64	886,355			
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	_		_				
Total	347,950	\$	88.64	886,355			

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes 294,000 restricted common units, the maximum amount of restricted common units that may be issued under the 2010 Multi-Year Performance Plan. Under the Plan, the Company issued 392,000 notional units, net of notional units forfeited, which will convert into restricted common shares of the Company on a one-for one basis, one-for two basis, or one-for-three basis depending upon the amount by which the Company's common shares appreciate above a minimum level over a four year performance period ending December 31, 2013. The Operating Partnership will issue one unit of partnership interest for every four restricted shares issued by the Company. The weighted average exercise price in column (b) does not take these awards into account.

# Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence

The information required by this Item is incorporated herein by reference to the Company's Proxy Statement to be filed with respect to the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders which is expected to be held on May 17, 2013.

# Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services

The information required by Item 9(e) of Schedule 14A is incorporated herein by reference to the Company's Proxy Statement to be filed with respect to the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders which is expected to be held on May 17, 2013.

### **PART IV**

# Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

# (a) (1) and (2) Documents filed as a part of this report:

# (a) (1) Financial Statements

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm (Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.)	<u>F-1</u>
Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm (Tanger Properties Limited Partnership)	<u>F-2</u>
Financial Statements of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.	
Consolidated Balance Sheets - December 31, 2012 and 2011	<u>F-4</u>
Consolidated Statements of Operations - Years Ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010	<u>F-5</u>
Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income - Years Ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010	<u>F-6</u>
Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity - Years Ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010	<u>F-7</u>
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows - Years Ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010	<u>F-9</u>
Financial Statements of Tanger Properties Limited Partnership	
Consolidated Balance Sheets-December 31, 2012 and 2011	<u>F-10</u>
Consolidated Statements of Operations- Years Ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010	<u>F-11</u>
Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income - Years Ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010	<u>F-12</u>
Consolidated Statements of Equity- Years Ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010	<u>F-13</u>
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows- Years Ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010	<u>F-14</u>
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and Tanger Properties Limited Partnership	<u>F-15</u>
(a) (2) Financial Statement Schedules	
Schedule III	
Real Estate and Accumulated Depreciation	<u>F-46</u>

All other schedules have been omitted because of the absence of conditions under which they are required or because the required information is given in the above-listed financial statements or notes thereto.

# 3. Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
3.1	Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Company. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1996.)
3.1A	Amendment to Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation dated May 29, 1996. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1996.)
3.1B	Amendment to Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation dated August 20, 1998. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1998.)
3.1C	Amendment to Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation dated September 30, 1999. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1999.)
3.1D	Amendment to Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation dated November 10, 2005. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 11, 2005.)
3.1E	Amendment to Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation dated June 13, 2007. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2007.)
3.1F	Articles of Amendment to Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation dated August 27, 2008. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits of the Company's current report on Form 8-K dated August 27, 2008).
3.1G	Articles of Amendment to Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. dated May 13, 2011. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits of the Company's and Operating Partnership's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2011.)
3.1 H	Articles of Amendment to Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc., dated May 24, 2012. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's and Operating Partnership's Form S-3 dated June 7, 2012.)
3.2	By-laws of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. restated to reflect all amendments through May 18, 2012. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's and Operating Partnership's Form S-3 dated June 7, 2012.)
3.3	Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership for Tanger Properties Limited Partnership dated November 11, 2005. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 21, 2005.)
4.1	Form of Senior Indenture. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 6, 1996.)
4.1A	Form of First Supplemental Indenture (to Senior Indenture). (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 6, 1996.)
4.1B	Form of Second Supplemental Indenture (to Senior Indenture) dated October 24, 1997 among Tanger Properties Limited Partnership, Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and State Street Bank & Trust Company. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 24, 1997.)
4.1C	Form of Third Supplemental Indenture (to Senior Indenture) dated February 15, 2001. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 16, 2001.)
4.1D	Form of Fourth Supplemental Indenture (to Senior Indenture) dated November 5, 2005. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006.)

- 4.1E Form of Fifth Supplemental Indenture (to Senior Indenture) dated August 16, 2006. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006.) Form of Sixth Supplemental Indenture (to Senior Indenture) dated July 2, 2009. (Incorporated by 4.1F reference to the exhibits to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed on July 2, 2009.) Form of Seventh Supplemental Indenture (to Senior Indenture) dated June 7, 2010. (Incorporated 4.1G by reference to the exhibits to the Company's and Operating Partnership's Current Report of Form 8-K dated June 7, 2010.) Amended and Restated Incentive Award Plan of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and Tanger Properties Limited Partnership, effective December 29, 2008. (Incorporated by reference to the 10.1 \* Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 20, 2009.) Amendment to the Amended and Restated Incentive Award Plan of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers. 10.1A \* Inc. and Tanger Properties Limited Partnership, dated May 14, 2010. (Incorporated by reference to the Company's and Operating Partnership's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2010.) Form of Stock Option Agreement between the Company and certain Directors. (Incorporated by 10.2 \* reference to the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1993.) 10.3 \* Form of Unit Option Agreement between the Operating Partnership and certain employees. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1993.) Form of Non-Qualified Share Option Agreement between Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc., 10.4 \* Tanger Properties Limited Partnership and certain employees. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's and Operating Partnership's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2011.) Amended and Restated Employment Agreement of Steven B. Tanger dated February 28, 2012. 10.5 \* (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's and Operating Partnership's Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 29, 2012.) Amended and Restated Employment Agreement for Frank C. Marchisello, Jr., as of December 29, 10.6 \* 2008. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 31, 2008.) Amended and Restated Employment Agreement for Lisa J. Morrison, as of December 29, 2008. 10.7 \* (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 31, 2008.) Amended and Restated Employment Agreement for Carrie A. Geldner, as of December 29, 2008. 10.8 \* (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.) 10.9 \* Employment Agreement for Chad D. Perry, dated as of December 12, 2011. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's and Operating Partnership's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011.) Employment Agreement for Thomas E. McDonough, dated August 23, 2010. (Incorporated by 10.10 \* reference to the exhibits to the Company's and Operating Partnership's Current Report on form 8-K dated August 23, 2010.) Amended and Restated Employment Agreement for James F. Williams, as of December 29, 2008. 10.11 \* 10.12 \* Amended and Restated Employment Agreement for Virginia R. Summerell, as of December 29,
- 10.13 \* Employment Agreement for Manuel O. Jessup, dated October 5, 2012.

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Registration Rights Agreement among the Company, the Tanger Family Limited Partnership and 10.14 Stanley K. Tanger. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-11 filed May 27, 1993, as amended.) 10.14A Amendment to Registration Rights Agreement among the Company, the Tanger Family Limited Partnership and Stanley K. Tanger. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995.) Second Amendment to Registration Rights Agreement among the Company, the Tanger Family Limited Partnership and Stanley K. Tanger dated September 4, 2002. (Incorporated by reference to 10.14B the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003.) 10.14C Third Amendment to Registration Rights Agreement among the Company, the Tanger Family Limited Partnership and Stanley K. Tanger dated December 5, 2003. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003.) 10.14D Fourth Amendment to Registration Rights Agreement among the Company, the Tanger Family Limited Partnership and Stanley K. Tanger dated August 8, 2006. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3, dated August 9, 2006.) 10.14E Fifth Amendment to Registration Rights Agreement among the Company, The Tanger Family Limited Partnership and Stanley K. Tanger dated August 10, 2009. (Incorporated by reference to exhibits to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated August 14, 2009.) 10.15 Agreement Pursuant to Item 601(b)(4)(iii)(A) of Regulation S-K. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-11 filed May 27, 1993, as amended.) 10.16 Assignment and Assumption Agreement among Stanley K. Tanger, Stanley K. Tanger & Company, the Tanger Family Limited Partnership, the Operating Partnership and the Company. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-11 filed May 27, 1993, as amended.) COROC Holdings, LLC Limited Liability Company Agreement dated October 3, 2003. (Incorporated 10.17 by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 8, 2003.) Form of Shopping Center Management Agreement between owners of COROC Holdings, LLC and 10.18 Tanger Properties Limited Partnership. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 8, 2003.) 10.19 \* Form of Restricted Share Agreement between the Company and certain Officers. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31. 2008.) 10.20 \* Form of Restricted Share Agreement between the Company and certain Officers with certain performance criteria vesting. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2005.) 10.20A \* Form of Amendment to Restricted Share Agreement between the Company and certain Officers with certain performance criteria vesting. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008.) 10.21 \* Form of Restricted Share Agreement between the Company and certain Directors. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2005.) 10.22 \* Restricted Share Agreement between the Company and Steven. B. Tanger dated February 28, 2012. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's and Operating Partnership's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2012.)

10.23 \* Form of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. Notional Unit Award Agreement between the Company and certain Officers. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2010.) Director Deferred Share Program of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and Tanger Properties 10.24 \* Limited Partnership. 10.25 Purchase Agreement between Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and Cohen & Steers Capital Management, Inc. relating to a registered direct offering of 3,000,000 of the Company's common shares dated August 30, 2005. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated August 30, 2005.) 10.26 Credit Agreement, dated as of November 29, 2010, among Tanger Properties Limited Partnership, as the Borrower, Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, and the Other Lenders Party Thereto, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, successor by merger to Banc of America Securities LLC, and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as Joint Bookrunners and Joint Lead Arrangers, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Syndication Agent, and Branch Banking and Trust Company, SunTrust Bank and U.S. Bank National Association, as Documentation Agents. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's and Operating Partnership's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 3, 2010.) Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of November 10, 2011, among Tanger 10.27 Properties Limited Partnership, as the Borrower, Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer, and The Other Lenders Party Hereto, Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Well Fargo Securities, LLC, and US Bank National Association, as Joint Bookrunners and Joint Lead Arrangers, Well Fargo Bank, National Association, as Syndication Agent, US Bank National Association, as Syndication Agent, Suntrust Bank, as Documentation Agent and Branch Banking and Trust Company, as Documentation Agent. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's and Operating Partnership's Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 15, 2011.) 10.28 Bridge Term Loan Agreement dated June 27, 2011 between Tanger Properties Limited Partnership and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative and syndication agent and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as bookrunner and lead arranger. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's and Operating Partnership's Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 27, 2011.) 10.29 Term loan credit agreement dated February 24, 2012 between Tanger Properties Limited Partnership and Wells Fargo Bank, National Assocation, as Adminstrative Agent, Wells Fargo Bank Securities, LLC, SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.m and PNC Capital MArkets LLC, as Joint Lead Arrangers, SunTrust Bank and PNC Bank, National Association, as Co-Syndication Agents, Regions Bank, as Documentation Agent and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as Sole Bookrunner. (Incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company's and Operating Partnership's Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 29, 2012.) 12.1 Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Preferred Dividends 12.2 Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Preferred Distributions 21.1 List of Subsidiaries of the Company. 21.2 List of Subsidiaries of the Operating Partnership. 23.1 Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. 23.2 Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. Principal Executive Officer Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 31.1 for Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. Principal Financial Officer Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 31.2 for Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. 31.3 Principal Executive Officer Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxlev Act of 2002 for Tanger Properties Limited Partnership.

31.4	Principal Financial Officer Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 for Tanger Properties Limited Partnership.
32.1	Principal Executive Officer Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 for Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.
32.2	Principal Financial Officer Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 for Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.
32.3	Principal Executive Officer Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 for Tanger Properties Limited Partnership.
32.4	Principal Financial Officer Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 for Tanger Properties Limited Partnership.
101.1	The following Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and Tanger Properties Limited Partnership financial information for the year ended December 31, 2012, formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) Consolidated Statements of Operations, (iii) Consolidated Statements of Other Comprehensive Income (iv) Consolidated Statements of Equity, (v) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and (vi) Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

<sup>\*</sup> Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

# **SIGNATURES** of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC.

By: /s/ Steven B. Tanger

Steven B. Tanger

President and Chief Executive Officer

February 27, 2013

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/ William G. Benton		
William G. Benton	Non-Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors	February 27, 2013
/s/ Steven B. Tanger		
Steven B. Tanger	Director, President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	February 27, 2013
/s/ Frank C. Marchisello Jr.		
Frank C. Marchisello Jr.	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	February 27, 2013
	(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	
/s/ Jack Africk		
Jack Africk	Director	February 27, 2013
/s/ Bridget Ryan Berman		
Bridget Ryan Berman	Director	February 27, 2013
/s/ Donald G. Drapkin		
Donald G. Drapkin	Director	February 27, 2013
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/s/ Thomas J. Reddin	- Director	February 27, 2013
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/s/ Thomas E. Robinson	_	
Thomas E. Robinson	Director	February 27, 2013
/s/ Allan L. Schuman	_	
Allan L. Schuman	Director	February 27, 2013

# **SIGNATURES** of Tanger Properties Limited Partnership

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

## TANGER PROPERTIES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: Tanger GP Trust, its sole general partner

By: /s/ Steven B. Tanger

Steven B. Tanger

President and Chief Executive Officer

February 27, 2013

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/ Steven B. Tanger	_	
Steven B. Tanger	Chairman of the Board of Trustees, President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	February 27, 2013
	Executive ember (Finisipal Executive ember)	
/s/ Frank C. Marchisello Jr.		
Frank C. Marchisello Jr.	Vice President and Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	February 27, 2013
/s/ Jack Africk		
Jack Africk	Trustee	February 27, 2013
/s/ William G. Benton		
William G. Benton	Trustee	February 27, 2013
/s/ Bridget Ryan Berman		
Bridget Ryan Berman	Trustee	February 27, 2013
/s/ Donald G. Drapkin		
Donald G. Drapkin	Trustee	February 27, 2013
/s/ Thomas J. Reddin		
Thomas J. Reddin	Trustee	February 27, 2013
/s/ Thomas E. Robinson	_	
Thomas E. Robinson	Trustee	February 27, 2013
/s/ Allan L. Schuman		
Allan L. Schuman	Trustee	February 27, 2013

### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and Board of Directors of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.:

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements listed in the index appearing under Item 15(a)(1) present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and its subsidiaries at December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2012 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, in our opinion, the financial statement schedule listed in the accompanying index appearing under Item 15(a)(2) presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein when read in conjunction with the related consolidated financial statements. Also in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). The Company's management is responsible for these financial statements and financial statement schedule, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements, on the financial statement schedule, and on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our integrated audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Greensboro, North Carolina February 27, 2013

### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Partners of Tanger Properties Limited Partnership:

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements listed in the index appearing under Item 15(a)(1) present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Tanger Properties Limited Partnership and its subsidiaries at December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2012 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, in our opinion, the financial statement schedule listed in the index appearing under Item 15(a)(2) presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein when read in conjunction with the related consolidated financial statements. Also in our opinion, the Operating Partnership maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012, based on criteria established in Internal Control -Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). The Operating Partnership's management is responsible for these financial statements and financial statement schedule, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements, on the financial statement schedule, and on the Operating Partnership's internal control over financial reporting based on our integrated audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

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# TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands, except share and per share data)

	December 31,			
		2012		2011
ASSETS				
Rental property				
Land	\$	148,002	\$	148,002
Buildings, improvements and fixtures		1,796,042		1,764,494
Construction in progress		3,308		3,549
		1,947,352		1,916,045
Accumulated depreciation		(582,859)	<u> </u>	(512,485)
Total rental property, net		1,364,493		1,403,560
Cash and cash equivalents		10,335		7,894
Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures		126,632		28,481
Deferred lease costs and other intangibles, net		101,040		120,636
Deferred debt origination costs, net		9,083		8,861
Prepaids and other assets		60,842		52,383
Total assets	\$	1,672,425	\$	1,621,815
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY				
Liabilities				
Debt				
Senior, unsecured notes (net of discount of \$1,967 and \$2,237, respectively)	\$	548,033	\$	547,763
Unsecured term loans (net of discount of \$547 and \$692, respectively)		259,453		9,308
Mortgages payable (including premiums of \$6,362 and \$7,434, respectively)		107,745		111,379
Unsecured lines of credit		178,306		357,092
Total debt		1,093,537		1,025,542
Construction trade payables		7,084		13,656
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		41,149		37,757
Other liabilities		16,780		16,428
Total liabilities		1,158,550	_	1,093,383
Commitments and contingencies				
Equity		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.				
Common shares, \$.01 par value, 300,000,000 authorized, 94,061,384 and 86,727,656 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2012 and 2011,				
respectively		941		867
Paid in capital		766,056		720,073
Accumulated distributions in excess of net income		(285,588)		(261,913)
Accumulated other comprehensive income		1,200		1,535
Equity attributable to Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.		482,609		460,562
Equity attributable to noncontrolling interests:				
Noncontrolling interests in Operating Partnership		24,432		61,027
Noncontrolling interests in other consolidated partnerships		6,834		6,843
Total equity		513,875		528,432
Total liabilities and equity	\$	1,672,425	\$	1,621,815

# TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(in thousands, except per share data)

	For the years ended December 31, 2012 2011 2010						
REVENUES		2012		2011		2010	
Base rentals	\$	235,233	\$	207,637	\$	178,976	
Percentage rentals		11,172		9,084		7,914	
Expense reimbursements		100,074		89,620		80,627	
Other income		10,518		8,882		8,786	
Total revenues		356,997		315,223		276,303	
EXPENSES							
Property operating		111,160		100,246		92,898	
General and administrative		37,452		30,132		24,553	
Acquisition costs		117		2,736		82	
Abandoned development costs				158		365	
Impairment charges		_		_		735	
Depreciation and amortization		98,683		84,015		78,039	
Total expenses		247,412		217,287		196,672	
Operating income		109,585		97,936		79,631	
Interest expense		49,814		45,382		34,120	
Loss on early extinguishment of debt						563	
Loss on termination of derivatives						6,142	
Income before equity in losses of unconsolidated joint ventures and discontinued operations		59,771		52,554		38,806	
Equity in losses of unconsolidated joint ventures		(3,295)		(1,565)		(464)	
Income from continuing operations		56,476		50,989	•	38,342	
Discontinued operations		_				(98)	
Net income	-	56,476		50,989		38,244	
Noncontrolling interests in Operating Partnership		(3,267)		(6,356)		(3,995)	
Noncontrolling interests in other consolidated partnerships		19		8			
Net income attributable to Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.	\$	53,228	\$	44,641	\$	34,249	
Basic earnings per common share							
Income from continuing operations	\$	0.57	\$	0.53	\$	0.32	
Net income	\$	0.57	\$	0.53	\$	0.32	
Diluted earnings per common share		_	_			_	
Income from continuing operations	\$	0.57	\$	0.52	\$	0.32	
Net income	\$	0.57	\$	0.52	\$	0.32	

# TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(in thousands)

# For the years ended December 31,

	2012	2011		2010
Net income	\$ 56,476	\$ 50,989	\$	38,244
Other comprehensive income (loss)				
Reclassification adjustment for amortization of gain on settlement of US treasury rate lock included in net income	(351)	(331)		(311)
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(5)	_		· —
Reclassification adjustment for termination of derivatives				6,142
Change in fair value of cash flow hedges	<del></del>	_		2,905
Changes in fair value of our portion of our unconsolidated joint ventures' cash flow hedges		46		7
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(356)	(285)		8,743
Comprehensive income	56,120	50,704		46,987
Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(3,227)	(6,312)		(5,145)
Comprehensive income attributable to Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.	\$ 52,893	\$ 44,392	\$	41,842

# TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

(in thousands, except share and per share data)

	Preferred shares	Common shares	Paid in capital	Distributions in excess of earnings	Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	Total shareholders' equity	Noncontrolling interest in Operating Partnership	Noncontrolling interests in other consolidated partnerships	Total equity
Balance, December 31, 2009	\$ 75,000	\$ 806	\$ 595,671	\$ (202,997)	\$ (5,809)	\$ 462,671	\$ 58,392	\$ —	\$ 521,063
Net income	_	_		34,249	_	34,249	3,995	_	38,244
Other comprehensive income	_				7,593	7,593	1,150	_	8,743
Compensation under Incentive Award Plan			5,848	_	_	5,848	_	_	5,848
Issuance of 129,100 common shares upon exercise of options			1,107	_	-	1,107	_	_	1,107
Grant of 312,720 restricted shares, net of forfeitures	_	4	(4)	_	_		_	_	
Adjustment for noncontrolling interest in Operating Partnership	_		(802)			(802)	802	_	
Preferred dividends (\$2.073 per share)	_	_	_	(6,219)	_	(6,219)	_	_	(6,219)
Common dividends (\$0.7725 per share)	_	_		(62,518)		(62,518)	<u> </u>		(62,518)
Distributions to noncontrolling interest in Operating Partnership	_		_			_	(9,373)	) —	(9,373)
Redemption of 3.0 million preferred shares	(75,000)	_	2,539	(2,539)		(75,000)	)	_	(75,000)
Balance, December 31, 2010		810	604,359	(240,024)	1,784	366,929	54,966	_	421,895
Net income	_	_	_	44,641		44,641	6,356	(8)	50,989
Other comprehensive income	_	_			(249)	(249)	(36)		(285)
Compensation under Incentive Award Plan		_	7,291	_	<del></del>	7,291	_	_	7,291
Issuance of 4,600,000 common shares, net of issuance costs of \$670,000		46	117,329	_	_	117,375	_	_	117,375
Issuance of 36,500 common shares upon exercise of options		_	353	_		353		_	353
Grant of 317,400 restricted shares, net of forfeitures		3	(3)	_	_	_	_	_	
Adjustment for noncontrolling interest in Operating Partnership	_	_	(9,242)			(9,242)	9,242	****	
Adjustment for noncontrolling interests in other consolidated partnerships	_	_	(6)	_		(6)	) —	6,851	6,845
Exchange of 160,332 Operating Partnership units for 641,328 common shares		7	(7)	_	_			_	_
Issuance of 136,360 common shares upon exchange of exchangeable notes	_	1	(1)		_	_	_	_	_
Common dividends (\$0.7938 per share)	_	_		(66,530)		(66,530)	· —	_	(66,530)
Distributions to noncontrolling interest in Operating Partnership						_	(9,501	_	(9,501)
Balance, December 31, 2011	\$	\$ 867	\$ 720,073	\$ (261,913)	\$ 1,535	\$ 460,562	\$ 61,027	\$ 6,843	\$ 528,432

# TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

(in thousands, except share and per share data) (Continued)

	Prefer share		Com sha		Paid in capital	in e	tributions excess of arnings	Accum oth compret income	er nensive	sha	Total areholders' equity	in O	ncontrolling nterest in operating nrtnership	Noncontr interest othe consolid partners	s in r ated	Total equity
Balance, December 31, 2011	\$	_	\$	867	\$ 720,073	\$	(261,913)	\$	1,535	\$	460,562	\$	61,027	\$	6,843 \$	528,432
Net income		_		_			53,228		_		53,228		3,267		(19)	56,476
Other comprehensive loss				_	· · · · · —		. <del>-</del>		(335)	)	(335)		(21)		_	(356)
Compensation under Incentive Award Plan					10,676				_		10,676		_		_	10,676
Issuance of 37,700 common shares upon exercise of options				_	481						481		_			481
Grant of 566,000 restricted shares, net of forfeitures		_		6	(6)	)	_		_		_		· _		_	_
Adjustment for noncontrolling interests in Operating Partnership					34,910				_		34,910		(34,910)			· · · · —
Adjustment for noncontrolling interests in other consolidated partnerships		_		_	(10)	)			_		(10)		_		10	_
Exchange of 1,682,507 Operating Partnership units for 6,730,028 common				60	(60)											
shares  Common dividends				68	(68)	)	(76,903)				(76,903)				_	(76,903)
(\$0.8300 per share)				_			(70,903)				(70,903)		<del></del> .			(70,903)
Distributions to noncontrolling interest in Operating Partnership	٠			· . — .			. · · . —			,	·. · ·		(4,931)		· <del>-</del>	(4,931)
Balance, December 31, 2012	\$	_	\$	941	\$ 766,056	\$	(285,588)	\$	1,200	\$	482,609	\$	24,432	\$	6,834 \$	513,875

# TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands)

	For the yea	ember 31, 2010	
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	2012	2011	2010
Net income	¢ 56.476	¢ 50,000	¢ 20.244
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating	\$ 56,476	\$ 50,989	\$ 38,244
activities:			
Depreciation and amortization (including discontinued operations)	98,683	84,015	78,126
Impairment charges (including discontinued operations)			846
Amortization of deferred financing costs	2,313	2,143	1,286
Equity in losses of unconsolidated joint ventures	3,295	1,565	464
Distributions of cumulative earnings from unconsolidated joint ventures	1,005	499	653
Loss on termination of derivatives	******		6,142
Loss on early extinguishment of exchangeable debt			563
Share-based compensation expense	10,676	7,291	5,848
Amortization of debt (premiums) and discounts, net	(1,007)	(315)	(176)
Gain on sale of outparcels of land	_	_	(161)
Net accretion of market rent rate adjustments	(348)	(454)	(950)
Straight-line rent adjustments	(3,649)	(3,829)	(2,676)
Changes in other asset and liabilities:	,		
Other assets	(5,557)	(9,080)	(8,844)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	3,878	3,170	(865)
Net cash provided by operating activities	165,765	135,994	118,500
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Additions of rental property	(41,283)	(60,314)	(77,487)
Acquisition of rental property		(266,211)	NATION AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY
Additions to investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	(103,041)	(25,314)	
Termination payments related to derivatives			(6,142)
Distributions in excess of cumulative earnings from unconsolidated joint ventures	1,471	701	897
Additions to deferred lease costs	(5,056)	(10,661)	(6,146)
Net proceeds from sales of real estate		723	2,025
Net cash used in investing activities	(147,909)	(361,076)	(86,853)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash dividends paid	(76,903)	(66,530)	(68,737)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests in Operating Partnership	(4,931)	(9,501)	(9,373)
Proceeds from issuance of common shares	*********	117,375	
Payments to redeem preferred shares			(75,000)
Proceeds from debt issuances	585,800	876,342	903,030
Repayments of debt	(517,271)		(773,600)
Additions to deferred financing costs	(2,591)		(6,583)
Proceeds from exercise of options	481	353	1,107
Net cash provided (used in) by financing activities	(15,415)	227,218	(29,156)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	2,441	2,136	2,491
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	7,894	5,758	3,267
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 10,335	\$ 7,894	\$ 5,758

# TANGER PROPERTIES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands)

	December 31,			31,
		2012		2011
ASSETS				<del></del>
Rental property				
Land	\$	148,002	\$	148,002
Buildings, improvements and fixtures		1,796,042		1,764,494
Construction in progress		3,308		3,549
		1,947,352		1,916,045
Accumulated depreciation		(582,859)		(512,485)
Total rental property, net		1,364,493		1,403,560
Cash and cash equivalents		10,295		7,866
Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures		126,632		28,481
Deferred lease costs and other intangibles, net		101,040		120,636
Deferred debt origination costs, net		9,083		8,861
Prepaids and other assets		60,408		52,059
Total assets	\$	1,671,951	\$	1,621,463
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		,		
Liabilities				
Debt				
Senior, unsecured notes (net of discount of \$1,967 and \$2,237, respectively)	\$	548,033	\$	547,763
Unsecured term loans (net of discount of \$547 and \$692, respectively)	Ψ	259,453	Ψ	9,308
Mortgages payable (net of discount of \$6,362 and \$7,434, respectively)		107,745		111,379
Unsecured lines of credit		178,306		357,092
Total debt		1,093,537		1,025,542
Construction trade payables		7,084		13,656
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		40,675		37,405
Other liabilities		16,780		16,428
Total liabilities		1,158,076		1,093,031
Commitments and contingencies		1,100,070		1,000,001
Equity			_	
Partners' Equity				
General partner		4,720		4,972
Limited partners		501,214		515,154
Accumulated other comprehensive income		1,107		1,463
Total partners' equity		507,041		521,589
Noncontrolling interests in consolidated partnerships		6,834		6,843
Total equity		513,875		528,432
Total liabilities and equity	- \$	1,671,951	\$	1,621,463

# TANGER PROPERTIES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(in thousands, except per unit data)

For the years ended December 31,

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		2012		2011		2010
REVENUES						
Base rentals	\$	235,233	\$	207,637	\$	178,976
Percentage rentals		11,172		9,084		7,914
Expense reimbursements		100,074		89,620		80,627
Other income		10,518		8,882		8,786
Total revenues		356,997		315,223		276,303
EXPENSES						
Property operating		111,160		100,246		92,898
General and administrative		37,452		30,132		24,553
Acquisition costs		117		2,736		82
Abandoned development costs				158		365
Impairment charges						735
Depreciation and amortization		98,683		84,015		78,039
Total expenses		247,412		217,287		196,672
Operating income		109,585		97,936		79,631
Interest expense		49,814		45,382		34,120
Loss on early extinguishment of debt		_		<del></del>		563
Loss on termination of derivatives					<del></del>	
Income before equity in losses of unconsolidated joint ventures and discontinued operations		59,771		52,554		38,806
Equity in losses of unconsolidated joint ventures		(3,295)		(1,565)		(464)
Income from continuing operations		56,476		50,989		38,342
Discontinued operations						(98)
Net income		56,476		50,989		38,244
Noncontrolling interests in consolidated partnerships		19		8		
Net income available to partners		56,495		50,997		38,244
Net income available to limited partners		55,917		50,473		37,932
Net income available to general partner	\$	578	\$	524	\$	312
Basic earnings per common unit						
Income from continuing operations	\$	2.28	\$	2.12	\$	1.29
Net income	\$	2.28	\$	2.12	\$	1.29
Diluted earnings per common unit						
Income from continuing operations	\$	2.26		2.10	\$	1.29
Net income	\$	2.26	\$	2.10	\$	1.29

# TANGER PROPERITES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(in thousands)

# For the years ended December 31,

	2012	2011		2010
Net income	\$ 56,476	\$ 50,989	\$	38,244
Other comprehensive income (loss)				
Reclassification adjustment for amortization of gain on settlement of US treasury rate lock included in net income	(351)	(331)		(311)
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(5)			
Reclassification adjustment for termination of derivatives				6,142
Change in fair value of cash flow hedges	_	_		2,905
Changes in fair value of our portion of our unconsolidated joint ventures' cash flow hedges	_	46		7
Other comprehensive income (loss)	 (356)	(285)		8,743
Comprehensive income	56,120	50,704	-	46,987
Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated partnerships	19	8		_
Comprehensive income attributable to the Operating Partnership	\$ 56,139	\$ 50,712	\$	46,987

# TANGER PROPERTIES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EQUITY

(in thousands, except unit and per unit data)

	General partner	Limited partners	Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	Total partners' equity	Noncontrolling interests in consolidated partnerships	Total equity
Balance, December 31, 2009	\$ 5,633	\$ 522,425	\$ (6,995)	\$ 521,063	\$ —	\$521,063
Net income	312	37,932	_	38,244	_	38,244
Other comprehensive income	_	_	8,743	8,743	_	8,743
Compensation under Incentive Award Plan	_	5,848	_	5,848	_	5,848
Issuance of 32,275 common units upon exercise of options		1,107	_	1,107	Manager.	1,107
Grant of 78,180 restricted units, net of forfeitures	_	_	_			_
Preferred distributions (\$2.073 per preferred unit)		(6,219)		(6,219)	and the same of th	(6,219)
Common distributions (\$3.09 per common unit)	(724)	(71,167)	_	(71,891)		(71,891)
Redemption of 3,000,000 preferred units		(75,000)	· –	(75,000)		(75,000)
Balance, December 31, 2010	5,221	414,926	1,748	421,895		421,895
Net income	524	50,473	_	50,997	(8)	50,989
Other comprehensive loss			(285)	(285)	_	(285)
Compensation under Incentive Award Plan		7,291	_	7,291	_	7,291
Issuance of 13,000 general partner common units and 1,137,000 limited partner common units, net of issuance costs of \$670,000	_	117,375	_	117,375	_	117,375
Issuance of 9,125 common shares upon exercise of options	_	353		353	_	353
Grant of 79,350 restricted units, net of forfeitures	_	_	_			_
Adjustments for noncontrolling interests in consolidated partnerships	*****	(6)	_	(6)	6,851	6,845
Common distributions (\$3.175 per common unit)	(773)	(75,258)		(76,031)	_	(76,031)
Balance, December 31, 2011	4,972	515,154	1,463	521,589	6,843	528,432
Net income	578	55,917		56,495	(19)	56,476
Other comprehensive loss	******		(356)	(356)	_	(356)
Compensation under Incentive Award Plan	_	10,676	_	10,676	_	10,676
Issuance of 9,425 common units upon exercise of options		481		481	_	481
Grant of 141,500 restricted units, net of forfeitures	_		_	_	_	
Adjustments for noncontrolling interests in consolidated partnerships	_	(10)	_	(10)	10	_
Common distributions (\$3.32 per common unit)	(830)	(81,004)		(81,834)		(81,834)
Balance, December 31, 2012	\$ 4,720	\$ 501,214	\$ 1,107	\$ 507,041	\$ 6,834	\$513,875

# TANGER PROPERTIES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands)

	For the year	ars ended De 2011	cember 31, 2010
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Net income	\$ 56,476	\$ 50,989	\$ 38,244
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization (including discontinued operations)	98,683	84,015	78,126
Impairment charges (including discontinued operations)	_		846
Amortization of deferred financing costs	2,313	2,143	1,286
Equity in losses of unconsolidated joint ventures	3,295	1,565	464
Distributions of cumulative earnings from unconsolidated joint ventures	1,005	499	653
Loss on termination of derivatives			6,142
Loss on early extinguishment of exchangeable debt	_	_	563
Equity-based compensation expense	10,676	7,291	5,848
Amortization of debt (premiums) and discounts, net	(1,007)	(315)	(176)
Gain on sale of outparcels of land			(161)
Net accretion of market rent rate adjustments	(348)	(454)	(950)
Straight-line rent adjustments	(3,649)	(3,829)	(2,676)
Increases (decreases) due to changes in:			
Other assets	(5,447)	(9,127)	(8,781)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	3,756	3,276	(962)
Net cash provided by operating activities	165,753	136,053	118,466
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Additions of rental property	(41,283)	•	(77,487)
Acquisition of rental property		(266,211)	_
Additions to investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	(103,041)	(25,314)	_
Termination payments related to derivatives	_	_	(6,142)
Distributions in excess of cumulative earnings from unconsolidated joint ventures	1,471	701	897
Additions to deferred lease costs	(5,056)	(10,661)	(6,146)
Net proceeds from sales of real estate		723	2,025
Net cash used in investing activities	(147,909)	(361,076)	(86,853)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash distributions paid	(81,834)		(78,110)
Contributions from partners		117,375	
Payment to redeem preferred units	_	<u> </u>	(75,000)
Proceeds from debt issuance	585,800	876,342	903,030
Repayments of debt	(517,271)	,	(773,600)
Additions to deferred financing costs	(2,591)	(3,431)	(6,583)
Proceeds from exercise of options	481	353	1,107
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(15,415)	227,218	(29,156)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	2,429	2,195	2,457
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	7,866	5,671	3,214
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 10,295	\$ 7,866	\$ 5,671

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC. AND TANGER PROPERTIES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

## 1. Organization of the Company

Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and subsidiaries is one of the largest owners and operators of outlet centers in the United States and Canada. We are a fully-integrated, self-administered and self-managed real estate investment trust ("REIT") which, through our controlling interest in the Operating Partnership, focuses exclusively on developing, acquiring, owning, operating and managing outlet shopping centers. As of December 31, 2012, we owned and operated 36 outlet centers, with a total gross leasable area of approximately 10.7 million square feet. All references to gross leasable area, square feet, occupancy, stores and store brands contained in the notes to the consolidated financial statements are unaudited. These outlet centers were 99% occupied and contained over 2,300 stores, representing approximately 400 store brands. We also had partial ownership interests in 7 outlet centers totaling approximately 2.2 million square feet, including 3 outlet centers in Canada.

Our outlet centers and other assets are held by, and all of our operations are conducted by, Tanger Properties Limited Partnership and subsidiaries. Accordingly, the descriptions of our business, employees and properties are also descriptions of the business, employees and properties of the Operating Partnership. Unless the context indicates otherwise, the term "Company" refers to Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and subsidiaries and the term "Operating Partnership" refers to Tanger Properties Limited Partnership and subsidiaries. The terms "we", "our" and "us" refer to the Company or the Company and the Operating Partnership together, as the text requires.

We own the majority of the units of partnership interest issued by the Operating Partnership through our two wholly-owned subsidiaries, Tanger GP Trust and Tanger LP Trust. Tanger GP Trust controls the Operating Partnership as its sole general partner. Tanger LP Trust holds a limited partnership interest. Through May 31, 2011, the Tanger family, through its ownership of the Tanger Family Limited Partnership held the remaining units as a limited partner. On June 1, 2011, the Tanger Family Limited Partnership was dissolved, and the units of the Operating Partnership owned by the Tanger Family Limited Partnership were distributed to the individual beneficial owners of the Tanger Family Limited Partnership. As a result, each such beneficial owner became an individual limited partner of the Operating Partnership (collectively the "Family Limited Partners").

As of December 31, 2012, our wholly-owned subsidiaries owned 23,515,346 units of the Operating Partnership and the Family Limited Partners collectively owned the remaining 1,190,466 units. Each unit held by the Family Limited Partners is exchangeable for four of our common shares, subject to certain limitations to preserve our status as a REIT.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

*Principles of Consolidation* - The consolidated financial statements of the Company include its accounts and its consolidated subsidiaries, as well as the Operating Partnership and its consolidated subsidiaries. The consolidated financial statements of the Operating Partnership include its accounts and its consolidated subsidiaries. Intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

We evaluate our real estate joint ventures in accordance with the consolidation guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC"). As a result of our qualitative assessment, we concluded that our Westgate and Deer Park joint ventures are Variable Interest Entities ("VIEs") and all of our other joint ventures are not VIEs. Westgate is considered a VIE because the voting rights are disproportionate to the economic interests. Deer Park is considered a VIE because it does not meet the criteria of the members having a sufficient equity investment at risk. Investments in real estate joint ventures in which we have a non-controlling ownership interest are accounted for using the equity method of accounting.

After making the determination that Westgate and Deer Park were VIEs, we performed an assessment to determine if we would be considered the primary beneficiary and thus be required to consolidate their balance sheets and results of operations. This assessment was based upon whether we had the following:

- a. The power to direct the activities of the VIE that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance
- b. The obligation to absorb losses of the entity that could potentially be significant to the VIE or the right to receive benefits from the entity that could potentially be significant to the VIE

Based on the provisions of the operating, development, leasing, and management agreements of Westgate and Deer Park, we determined that no single member has the power to direct the significant activities that affect the economic performance of the ventures and therefore, we are not required to consolidate Westgate or Deer Park. Our equity method investments in Westgate and Deer Park as of December 31, 2012 were approximately \$19.1 million and \$3.0 million, respectively. We are unable to estimate our maximum exposure to loss at this time because our guarantees are limited and are based on the future operating performance of Westgate and Deer Park.

Noncontrolling interests - In the Company's consolidated financial statements, the "Noncontrolling interests in Operating Partnership" reflects the Family Limited Partners' percentage ownership of the Operating Partnership's units (prior to June 1, 2011, the Tanger Family Limited Partnership's percentage ownership of the Operating Partnership's units). The noncontrolling interests in other consolidated partnerships consist of outside equity interests in partnerships not wholly-owned by the Company or the Operating Partnership that are consolidated with the financial results of the Company and Operating Partnership because the Operating Partnership exercises control over the entities that own the properties. Noncontrolling interests are initially recorded in the consolidated balance sheets at fair value based upon purchase price allocations. Income is allocated to the noncontrolling interests based on their respective ownership interest.

Use of Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Operating Segments - We aggregate the financial information of all outlet centers into one reportable operating segment because the centers all have similar economic characteristics and provide similar products and services to similar types and classes of customers.

Rental Property - Rental properties are recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation. Costs incurred for the construction and development of properties, including certain overhead costs, are capitalized. The amount of overhead costs capitalized is based on our estimate of the amount of costs directly related to the construction or development of these assets. Direct costs to acquire existing centers are expensed as incurred. Depreciation is computed on the straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets. We generally use estimated lives of 33 years for buildings and improvements, 15 years for land improvements and 7 years for equipment. Tenant finishing allowances are amortized over the life of the associated lease. Expenditures for ordinary maintenance and repairs are charged to operations as incurred while significant renovations and improvements which improve and/ or extend the useful life of the asset are capitalized and depreciated over their estimated useful life. Interest costs are capitalized during periods of active construction for qualified expenditures based upon interest rates in place during the construction period until construction is substantially complete. Capitalized interest costs are amortized over lives which are consistent with the constructed assets.

In accordance with accounting guidance for business combinations, we allocate the purchase price of acquisitions based on the fair value of land, building, tenant improvements, debt and deferred lease costs and other intangibles, such as the value of leases with above or below market rents, origination costs associated with the in-place leases, the value of in-place leases and tenant relationships, if any. We depreciate the amount allocated to building, deferred lease costs and other intangible assets over their estimated useful lives, which generally range from 3 to 33 years. The values of the above and below market leases are amortized and recorded as either an increase (in the case of below market leases) or a decrease (in the case of above market leases) to rental income over the remaining term of the associated lease. The values of below market leases that are considered to have renewal periods with below market rents are amortized over the remaining term of the associated lease plus the renewal periods. The value associated with in-place leases is amortized over the remaining lease term and tenant relationships is amortized over the expected term, which includes an estimated probability of the lease renewal. If a tenant terminates its lease prior to the contractual termination of the lease and no rental payments are being made on the lease, any unamortized balance of the related intangibles is written off. The tenant improvements and origination costs are amortized as an expense over the remaining life of the lease (or charged against earnings if the lease is terminated prior to its contractual expiration date). We assess fair value based on estimated cash flow projections that utilize appropriate discount and capitalization rates and available market information. These cash flow projections may be derived from various observable and unobservable inputs and assumptions. Also, we may utilize third-party valuation specialists.

Buildings, improvements and fixtures consist primarily of permanent buildings and improvements made to land such as infrastructure and costs incurred in providing rental space to tenants. Interest costs capitalized during 2012, 2011 and 2010 amounted to approximately \$1.2 million, \$393,000 and \$1.5 million, respectively, and internal development costs capitalized amounted to \$1.8 million, \$1.4 million and \$1.5 million, respectively. Depreciation expense related to rental property included in income from continuing operations for each of the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 was \$73.7 million, \$66.2 million and \$64.5 million, respectively.

The pre-construction stage of project development involves certain costs to secure land control and zoning and complete other initial tasks essential to the development of the project. These costs are transferred from other assets to construction in progress when the pre-construction tasks are completed. Costs of unsuccessful pre-construction efforts are charged to operations when the project is no longer probable.

Cash and Cash Equivalents - All highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the date of purchase are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash balances at a limited number of banks may periodically exceed insurable amounts. We believe that we mitigate our risk by investing in or through major financial institutions. Recoverability of investments is dependent upon the performance of the issuer. At December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively, we had cash equivalent investments in highly liquid money market accounts at major financial institutions of \$670,000 and \$551,000, respectively.

Deferred Charges - Deferred charges includes deferred lease costs and other intangible assets consisting of fees and costs incurred to originate operating leases and are amortized over the expected lease term. Deferred lease costs capitalized, including internal lease costs and amounts paid to third-party brokers, during 2012, 2011 and 2010 were approximately \$5.1 million, \$10.7 million and \$6.1 million, respectively. Deferred lease costs and other intangible assets also include the value of leases and origination costs deemed to have been acquired in real estate acquisitions. See "Rental Property" above for a discussion. Deferred financing costs include fees and costs incurred to obtain long-term financing and are amortized over the terms of the respective loans. Unamortized deferred financing costs are charged to expense when debt is retired before the maturity date.

Captive Insurance - Our wholly-owned subsidiary, Northline Indemnity, LLC, is responsible for losses up to certain deductible levels per occurrence for property damage (including wind damage from hurricanes) prior to third-party insurance coverage. Insurance losses are reflected in property operating expenses and include estimates of costs incurred, both reported and unreported.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets - Rental property held and used by us is reviewed for impairment in the event that facts and circumstances indicate the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. In such an event, we compare the estimated future undiscounted cash flows associated with the asset to the asset's carrying amount, and if less, recognize an impairment loss in an amount by which the carrying amount exceeds its fair value. Fair value is determined using a market approach whereby we consider the prevailing market income capitalization rates and sales data for transactions involving similar assets. We recognized no impairment losses during the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. We believe there are no unrecorded impairment losses as of December 31, 2012.

Real estate assets designated as held for sale are stated at the lower of their carrying value or their fair value less costs to sell. We classify real estate as held for sale when our Board of Directors approves the sale of the assets and it meets the requirements of current accounting guidance. Subsequent to this classification, no further depreciation is recorded on the assets. The operating results of real estate assets designated as held for sale and for assets sold, which we will not have any significant continuing involvement, are included in discontinued operations for all periods presented in our results of operations.

Impairment of Investments - On a periodic basis, we assess whether there are any indicators that the value of our investments in unconsolidated joint ventures may be impaired. An investment is impaired only if management's estimate of the value of the investment is less than the carrying value of the investments, and such decline in value is deemed to be other than temporary. To the extent impairment has occurred, the loss shall be measured as the excess of the carrying amount of the investment over the value of the investment. Our estimates of value for each joint venture investment are based on a number of assumptions that are subject to economic and market uncertainties including, among others, demand for space, competition for tenants, changes in market rental rates and operating costs of the property. As these factors are difficult to predict and are subject to future events that may alter our assumptions, the values estimated by us in our impairment analysis may not be realized. As of December 31, 2012, we do not believe that any of our equity investments were impaired.

Derivatives - We selectively enter into interest rate protection agreements to mitigate the impact of changes in interest rates on our variable rate borrowings. The notional amounts of such agreements are used to measure the interest to be paid or received and do not represent the amount of exposure to loss. None of these agreements are used for speculative or trading purposes.

We recognize all derivatives as either assets or liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets and measure those instruments at their fair value. We also measure the effectiveness, as defined by the relevant accounting guidance, of all derivatives. We formally document our derivative transactions, including identifying the hedge instruments and hedged items, as well as our risk management objectives and strategies for entering into the hedge transaction. At inception and on a quarterly basis thereafter, we assess the effectiveness of derivatives used to hedge transactions. If a cash flow hedge is deemed effective, we record the change in fair value in other comprehensive income. If after assessment it is determined that a portion of the derivative is ineffective, then that portion of the derivative's change in fair value will be immediately recognized in earnings.

Income Taxes - We operate in a manner intended to enable the Company to qualify as a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code. A REIT which distributes at least 90% of its taxable income to its shareholders each year and which meets certain other conditions is not taxed on that portion of its taxable income which is distributed to its shareholders. We intend to continue to qualify as a REIT and to distribute substantially all of the Company's taxable income to its shareholders. Accordingly, no provision has been made in the Company's consolidated financial statements for Federal income taxes. As a partnership, the allocated share of income or loss for the year with respect to the Operating Partnership is included in the income tax returns for the partners; accordingly, no provision has been made for Federal income taxes in the Operating Partnership's consolidated financial statements. In addition, we continue to evaluate uncertain tax positions. The tax years 2009 - 2012 remain open to examination by the major tax jurisdictions to which we are subject.

In November 2005, we issued 7.5% Class C Cumulative Preferred Shares (liquidation preference \$25.00 per share). We paid preferred cash dividends per share of \$2.07 in 2010 all of which was treated as ordinary income. In December 2010, the Company completed the redemption of all of its outstanding 7.5% Class C Cumulative Preferred Shares. The redemption price was \$25.00 per share, plus all accrued and unpaid dividends up to and including the redemption date, for a total redemption price of \$25.198 per share. Total cash paid to redeem the shares, plus accrued dividends, was \$75.6 million.

For income tax purposes, distributions paid to the Company's common shareholders consist of ordinary income, capital gains, return of capital or a combination thereof. Dividends per share for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 were taxable as follows:

Common dividends per share:	2012	2011	2010
Ordinary income	\$ 0.8293	\$ 0.7938	\$ 0.5361
Return of capital	0.0007	<del>_</del>	 0.2364
	\$ 0.8300	\$ 0.7938	\$ 0.7725

The following reconciles net income available to the Company's shareholders to taxable income available to common shareholders for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010:

	2012	2011	2010
Net income available to the Company's shareholders	\$ 53,228	\$ 44,641	\$ 34,249
Preferred share dividends paid	_	_	(6,219)
Book/tax difference on:			
Depreciation and amortization	16,034	16,232	23,469
Loss on sale or disposal of real estate	(1,543)	(3,113)	(6,706)
Equity in earnings (losses) from unconsolidated joint ventures	5,037	2,482	1,326
Share-based payment compensation	(6,298)	(491)	(3,154)
Other differences	(850)	 997	 (5,169)
Taxable income available to common shareholders	\$ 65,608	\$ 60,748	\$ 37,796

Revenue Recognition - Base rentals are recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Straight-line rent adjustments recorded in other assets were approximately \$25.1 million and \$20.8 million as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. As a provision of a tenant lease, if we make a cash payment to the tenant for purposes other than funding the construction of landlord assets, we defer the amount of such payments as a lease incentive. We amortize lease incentives as a reduction of base rental revenue over the term of the lease. Substantially all leases contain provisions which provide additional rents based on tenants' sales volume ("percentage rentals") and reimbursement of the tenants' share of advertising and promotion, common area maintenance, insurance and real estate tax expenses. Percentage rentals are recognized when specified targets that trigger the contingent rent are met. Expense reimbursements are recognized in the period the applicable expenses are incurred. Payments received from the early termination of leases are recognized as revenue from the time the payment is receivable until the tenant vacates the space. The values of the above and below market leases are amortized and recorded as either an increase (in the case of below market leases) or a decrease (in the case of above market leases) to rental income over the remaining term of the associated lease. If a tenant terminates its lease prior to the original contractual termination of the lease and no rental payments are being made on the lease, any unamortized balance of the related above or below market lease value will be written off.

We receive management, leasing and development fees from third parties and unconsolidated affiliates. Management fees are charged as a percentage of revenues (as defined in the management agreement) and are recognized as revenue when earned. Development fees are recognized as revenue when earned over the development period. Leasing fees are charged for newly executed leases and lease renewals, and are recognized as revenue when earned. Profits from development and leasing fees received from unconsolidated affiliates are recognized as revenue to the extent of the third-party partners' ownership interest. Profits earned to the extent of our ownership interest are recorded as a reduction to our investment in the unconsolidated affiliate.

Concentration of Credit Risk - We perform ongoing credit evaluations of our tenants. Although the tenants operate principally in the retail industry, the properties are geographically diverse. No single tenant accounted for 10% or more of combined base and percentage rental income or gross leasable area during 2012, 2011 or 2010.

Supplemental Cash Flow Information - We purchase capital equipment and incur costs relating to construction of new facilities, including tenant finishing allowances. Expenditures included in construction trade payables as of December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 amounted to \$7.1 million, \$13.7 million and \$31.8 million, respectively. Interest paid, net of interest capitalized, in 2012, 2011 and 2010 was \$46.8 million, \$45.4 million and \$37.6 million, respectively.

Non-cash Financing Activities - Non-cash financing activities that occurred during the 2011 period included the assumption of mortgage debt in the amount of \$112.7 million, including total net premiums of \$7.8 million related to the acquisitions described in Note 5.

Accounting for Equity-Based Compensation - We may issue non-qualified options and other equity-based awards under the Amended and Restated Incentive Award Plan (the "Incentive Award Plan"). We account for our equity-based compensation plan under the fair value provisions of the relevant accounting guidance.

New Accounting Pronouncements - In December 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued guidance about offsetting assets and liabilities. The new disclosures require that entities disclose both gross and net information about recognized financial instruments and derivative instruments that are offset in the statement of financial position, or subject to an enforceable master netting arrangement or similar agreement irrespective of whether they are offset in the statement of financial position. The guidance will be effective prospectively for interim and annual periods beginning after January 1, 2013. We are in the process of evaluating this guidance and currently do not believe that it will have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

In February 2013, FASB issued guidance establishing new requirements for disclosing reclassifications of items out of accumulated other comprehensive income ("AOCI"). Specifically, (1) disclosure is required of the changes in components of AOCI, (2) disclosure is required of the effects on individual line items in net income for each item of AOCI that is reclassified in its entirety to net income, and (3) cross references are required to other disclosures that provide additional details for AOCI items that are not reclassified in their entirety to net income. The guidance will be effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2012. We are in the process of evaluating this guidance and currently do not believe that it will have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

#### 3. Development of Rental Properties

## Redevelopment: Hilton Head I, South Carolina

During the first quarter of 2011, we completed the redevelopment of our Hilton Head I outlet center and celebrated a grand re-opening on March 31, 2011. As of December 31, 2012, the 177,000 square foot center was 100% occupied.

## Impairment Charge

Rental property held and used by us is reviewed for impairment in the event that facts and circumstances indicate the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. In such an event, we compare the estimated future undiscounted cash flows associated with the asset to the asset's carrying amount, and if less, recognize an impairment loss in an amount by which the carrying amount exceeds its fair value.

In 2005, we sold our outlet center located in Seymour, Indiana but retained various outparcels of land at the development site, some of which we sold in recent years. In February 2010, our Board of Directors approved the sale of the remaining parcels of land. As a result of this Board approval and an approved plan to actively market the land, we recorded a non-cash impairment charge of approximately \$735,000 in our consolidated statement of operations which equaled the excess of the carrying amount of the land over its fair value. We determined the fair value using a market approach considering offers that we obtained for all the various parcels less estimated closing costs. Two of the outparcels were sold during the first half of 2010 for net proceeds of approximately \$200,000.

In May 2010, our Board of Directors approved the plan for our management to sell the Commerce I, Georgia outlet center. The majority of the center was sold in July 2010 for net proceeds of approximately \$1.4 million. During the third quarter of 2010, we recorded a non-cash impairment charge of approximately \$111,000 to lower the basis of the center to its approximate fair value based on the actual sales contracts related the center. The remaining portion of the center was sold at the end of January 2011 for net proceeds of approximately \$724,000. There was no gain or loss on the sale as the impairment charge recorded during the third quarter of 2010 reduced the basis in the remaining property to its approximate fair value.

#### Change in Accounting Estimate

During 2009, we obtained approval from Beaufort County, South Carolina to implement a redevelopment plan at the Hilton Head I, South Carolina outlet center. Based on the redevelopment timeline, we intended to demolish the existing buildings during the second quarter of 2010. Therefore, we changed the estimated useful lives of the depreciable assets to end at the date the center was expected to be vacant in preparation for demolition. As a result of this change in useful lives, additional depreciation and amortization of approximately \$9.0 million was recognized during 2010. The accelerated depreciation and amortization reduced income from continuing operations and net income by approximately \$0.10 per share for the year ended December 31, 2010. Once the demolition was completed during the second quarter of 2010, the fully depreciated assets were written-off.

### 4. Investments in Unconsolidated Real Estate Joint Ventures

Our investments in unconsolidated joint ventures as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 aggregated \$126.6 million and \$28.5 million respectively. We have evaluated the accounting treatment for each of the joint ventures and have concluded based on the current facts and circumstances that the equity method of accounting should be used to account for the individual joint ventures. At December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, we were members of the following unconsolidated real estate joint ventures:

As of December 31, 2012

Joint Venture	Center Location	Ownership %	Square Feet	Carrying Value of Investment (in millions)	Total Joint Venture Debt (in millions)
Deer Park	Deer Park, Long Island NY	33.3%	741,981	\$ 3.0	\$ 246.9
Deer Park Warehouse	Deer Park, Long Island NY	33.3%	29,253		1.9
Galveston/Houston	Texas City, TX	50.0%	352,705	36.7	_
National Harbor	Washington D.C. Metro Area	50.0%		2.6	
RioCan Canada	Various	50.0%	434,562	62.2	20.1
Westgate	Glendale, AZ	58.0%	332,234	19.1	32.0
Wisconsin Dells	Wisconsin Dells, WI	50.0%	265,086	2.8	24.3
Other				0.2	
				\$ 126.6	\$ 325.2

As of December 31, 2011

Joint Venture	Center Location	Ownership %	Square Feet	Carrying Value of Investment (in millions)	Total Joint Venture Debt (in millions)
Deer Park	Deer Park, Long Island NY	33.3%	656,788	\$ 5.4	\$ 246.9
Deer Park Warehouse	Deer Park, Long Island NY	33.3%	29,253	. —	2.3
Galveston/Houston	Texas City, TX	50.0%	_	7.9	_
National Harbor	Washington D.C. Metro Area	50.0%		0.9	
RioCan Canada	Various	50.0%	159,391	10.0	29.7
Wisconsin Dells Other	Wisconsin Dells, WI	50.0%	265,086	4.0 0.3	24.3
Outer				\$ 28.5	\$ 303.2
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These investments are recorded initially at cost and subsequently adjusted for our equity in the venture's net income (loss), cash contributions, distributions and other adjustments required by the equity method of accounting as described below.

The following management, development, leasing and marketing fees were recognized from services provided to our unconsolidated joint ventures (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,						
		2012		2011		2010	
Fees:							
Development	\$	427	\$	_	\$	_	
Loan guarantee		80					
Management and leasing		2,102		1,958		1,927	
Marketing		433		163		154	
Total Fees	\$	3,042	\$	2,121	\$	2,081	

Our investments in real estate joint ventures are reduced by the percentage of the profits earned for leasing and development services associated with our ownership interest in each joint venture. Our carrying value of investments in unconsolidated joint ventures differs from our share of the assets reported in the "Summary Balance Sheets - Unconsolidated Joint Ventures" shown below due to adjustments to the book basis, including intercompany profits on sales of services that are capitalized by the unconsolidated joint ventures. The differences in basis are amortized over the various useful lives of the related assets.

### Deer Park, Long Island, New York

In October 2003, we, and two other members each having a 33.3% ownership interest, established a joint venture to develop and own a shopping center in Deer Park, New York. The center opened in October 2008.

On December 22, 2011, Deer Park, closed on the refinancing of its mortgage and mezzanine loans. At the closing, Deer Park made a payment of \$20.0 million towards the principal amount of the mortgage bringing the new balance outstanding to \$231.9 million. Each of the three partners made an equity contribution to Deer Park prior to closing of \$6.4 million. The \$20.0 million principal payment was made from a combination of these three equity contributions totaling \$19.2 million and cash available within Deer Park. The principal balance on the mezzanine loan remained at \$15.0 million. The new interest rates for the mortgage and mezzanine loan are LIBOR + 3.50% and LIBOR + 5.00%, respectively. The maturity date of both the mortgage and the mezzanine loan is May 17, 2014, however the loans require certain financial covenants, such as debt service coverage and loan to value ratios, to be met at various measurement dates. Based on the calculation of its debt service coverage, which is based on information as of December 31, 2012, Deer Park was not in compliance with its coverage requirements. As a result, the lenders have the right, but not the obligation to require a principal payment in an amount sufficient to satisfy the debt service coverage test. Such principal payment, if necessary, may require additional capital contributions to Deer Park by its partners.

### Deer Park Warehouse, Long Island, New York

In June 2008, we, along with our partners in Deer Park, entered into a joint venture to purchase a warehouse adjacent to the Tanger Outlet Center located in Deer Park, New York for a total purchase price of \$3.3 million and obtained mortgage financing of \$2.3 million. The interest only mortgage loan secured by the warehouse matured on May 17, 2011 and the joint venture did not qualify for the one year extension option. As a result, on June 1, 2012 the joint venture reduced the outstanding principal balance by \$500,000 to \$1.8 million and entered into a Loan Forbearance Agreement with the lender whereby the lender agreed that it would not enforce its rights under the loan documents until the trigger date of October 1, 2012 unless extended. Extension of the trigger date was contingent among other things upon delivering a fully executed contract to sell the property to an unaffiliated third-party purchaser. Although the joint venture did not meet all of the requirements for extending the trigger date, it has delivered a fully executed contract to sell the property which has been approved by the lender. Through closing, the joint venture is committed to make monthly debt service payments at an interest rate of LIBOR + 1.85%. Additional interest accrues at a rate of Prime + 5.5% less the amount paid.

### Galveston/Houston, Texas

In June 2011, we announced the formation of a joint venture for the development of a Tanger Outlet Center south of Houston in Texas City, Texas. The center grand opening occurred on October 19, 2012 and features over 85 brand name and designer outlet stores in the first phase of approximately 353,000 square feet, with room for expansion for a total build out of approximately 470,000 square feet. As of December 31, 2012, we and our partner had each contributed \$35.3 million in cash to the joint venture to fund development activities. We provide property management and marketing services to the center; and with our partner, are jointly providing development and leasing services.

## National Harbor, Washington, D.C. Metro Area

In May 2011, we announced the formation of a joint venture for the development of a Tanger Outlet Center at National Harbor in the Washington, D.C. Metro area. The planned Tanger Outlet Center is expected to contain approximately 80 brand name and designer outlet stores in a center measuring up to 340,000 square feet. In November 2012, the joint venture broke ground and began site development. Both parties have made initial equity contributions of \$2.6 million to fund certain pre-development costs. We will provide property management, leasing and marketing services to the joint venture; and with our partner, will jointly provide site development and construction supervision services.

### RioCan Canadian Joint Venture

During 2011 we announced the formation of an exclusive joint venture with RioCan Real Estate Investment Trust for the acquisition, development and leasing of sites across Canada that are suitable for development or redevelopment as outlet shopping centers similar in concept and design to those within our existing U.S. portfolio. Any projects developed will be co-owned by us and RioCan on a 50/50 basis and will be branded as Tanger Outlet Centers. We have agreed to provide leasing and marketing services to the venture and RioCan will provide development and property management services.

In December 2011, the RioCan joint venture purchased the Cookstown Outlet Mall. The existing outlet center was acquired for \$47.4 million, plus an additional \$13.8 million for excess land upon the seller meeting certain conditions, for an aggregate purchase price of \$61.2 million. In connection with the purchase, the joint venture assumed the in-place financing of \$29.6 million. In March 2012, the joint venture retired the outstanding loan and we contributed an additional \$15.1 million to the joint venture to fund our portion of the payment.

During the first quarter of 2012, the joint venture terminated an option contract to develop a center in Halton Hills, Ontario and accordingly wrote-off pre-development costs of approximately \$1.4 million.

In November 2012, the RioCan Canadian joint venture acquired two existing outlet centers in the Montreal, Quebec market for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$94.8 million. The purchase price includes the assumption of mortgages totaling \$18.7 million at Les Factoreries Saint-Sauveur, which carry a weighted average interest rate of 5.7% and mature in 2015 and 2020. There is no in-place financing associated with the Bromont Outlet Mall acquisition.

Les Factoreries Saint-Sauveur, is located northwest of Montreal adjacent to Highway 15 in the town of Saint-Sauveur, Quebec. The property was built in 1980, and expanded in 2006, and is approximately 116,000 square feet with the potential to expand to approximately 131,000 square feet. This outlet center features many national brands such as, Nike, Tommy Hilfiger, Reebok, Guess, Jones New York, Naturalizer and Parasuco.

The Bromont Outlet Mall, is located east of Montreal near the eastern townships adjacent to Highway 10 in the town of Bromont, Quebec. The property was built in 2004 and expanded through 2011, and is approximately 163,000 square feet with the potential to expand to approximately 251,000 square feet. This outlet center features many national brands such as, Point Zero, Tommy Hilfiger, Guess, Puma, Mexx, and Urban Planet. Bromont is located at the base of Mont Brome.

## Westgate, Glendale, Arizona

On May 4, 2012, we formed a joint venture for the development of a Tanger Outlet Center in Glendale, Arizona. The center grand opening occurred on November 15, 2012 and features approximately 80 brand name and designer outlet stores in the first phase of approximately 332,000 square feet, with room for expansion for a total build out of approximately 410,000 square feet. On June 27, 2012, the joint venture closed on a construction loan with the ability to borrow up to \$48.3 million, which carries an interest rate of LIBOR + 1.75%. As of December 31, 2012, the joint venture's balance on the loan was \$32.0 million. As of December 31, 2012, we had contributed \$19.4 million in cash to the joint venture to fund development activities. We are providing property management, construction supervision, leasing and marketing services to the joint venture.

### Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin

In March 2005, we established the Wisconsin Dells joint venture to construct and operate a Tanger Outlet center in Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin. In December 2012, the joint venture closed on the refinance of its \$24.3 million mortgage loan. The refinanced interest-only, non-recourse mortgage loan has a 10 year term and carries an interest rate of LIBOR + 2.25%. We are providing property management, leasing and marketing services to the joint venture.

Condensed combined summary financial information of joint ventures accounted for using the equity method is as follows (in thousands):

Summary Balance Sheets - Unconsolidated Joint Ventures	As of December 31, 2012	As of December 31, 2011
Assets	 01, 2012	 01, 2011
Land	\$ 110,665	\$ 77,864
Buildings, improvements and fixtures	493,424	288,934
Construction in progress, including land	2,128	23,545
	 606,217	390,343
Accumulated depreciation	(62,547)	(46,245)
Total rental property, net	543,670	344,098
Assets held for sale (1)	1,828	_
Cash and cash equivalents	21,879	7,582
Deferred lease costs, net	24,411	14,815
Deferred debt origination costs, net	5,213	7,566
Prepaids and other assets	25,350	11,687
Total assets	\$ 622,351	\$ 385,748
Liabilities and Owners' Equity		
Mortgages payable	\$ 325,192	\$ 303,230
Construction trade payables	21,734	2,669
Accounts payable and other liabilities	31,944	27,246
Total liabilities	378,870	333,145
Owners' equity	243,481	 52,603
Total liabilities and owners' equity	\$ 622,351	\$ 385,748

<sup>(1)</sup> Assets related to our Deer Park Warehouse joint venture, which is currently under contract to be sold.

Summary Statements of Operations- Unconsolidated Joint Ventures:

Year Ended December 31,

	2012		2011		2010	
Revenues	\$	54,936	\$	38,847	\$	37,858
Expenses:						
Property operating		24,678		18,034		18,172
General and administrative		970		250		455
Acquisition costs		1,437		******		
Abandoned development costs		1,447				_
Impairment charge (1)		420		900		
Depreciation and amortization		19,914		14,242		14,245
		48,866		33,426		32,872
Operating income		6,070		5,421		4,986
Interest expense		14,760		10,456		6,947
Net loss	\$	(8,690)	\$	(5,035)	\$	(1,961)
The Company and Operating Partnership's share of:						
Net loss	\$	(3,295)	\$	(1,565)	\$	(464)
Depreciation and asset impairments (real estate related) (1)		8,245		5,475		5,146

<sup>(1)</sup> The years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively, includes impairment charges recorded at the Deer Park Warehouse joint venture entity, of which our share is one-third based on our 33.3% ownership percentage. There has been no significant amount of income or expense associated with the activities of this entity in any of the years presented.

### 5. Acquisition of Rental Property

Jeffersonville, Ohio

In June 2011, we purchased Prime Outlets at Jeffersonville, a 410,000 square foot outlet center, for \$134.0 million in cash. The cash purchase price was funded with proceeds from a \$150.0 million senior, unsecured bridge loan.

Atlantic City, New Jersey and Ocean City, Maryland

During 2011, we closed on our admission as a member into four existing entities that resulted in our acquiring substantially all of the economic interests of Atlantic City Outlets The Walk (Atlantic City, New Jersey) and Ocean City Factory Outlets (Ocean City, Maryland). The combined purchase price was approximately \$200.3 million, consisting of \$116.8 million in cash and the assumption of \$83.5 million in indebtedness.

Atlantic City Outlets The Walk is comprised of approximately 490,000 square feet and Ocean City Factory Outlets is comprised of approximately 198,000 square feet. The cash portion of the purchase price for Atlantic City Outlets The Walk and Ocean City Outlets was funded by amounts available under our unsecured lines of credit.

### Hershey, Pennsylvania

In September 2011, we purchased substantially all of the economic interests in The Outlets at Hershey, a 247,000 square foot outlet center, for total consideration of \$56.0 million, consisting of \$24.6 million in cash and the assumption of \$31.4 million of indebtedness. The cash consideration included a \$6.2 million loan, which is included in other assets in the consolidated balance sheets, to the noncontrolling interest holder collateralized by their ownership interest in the property. The cash consideration for The Outlets at Hershey was funded by amounts available under our unsecured lines of credit.

The aggregate fair value purchase price of the properties acquired during the year ended December 31, 2011 has been allocated as follows:

	Value (in thousands)		Weighted-Average Amortization Period (in years)
Land	\$	6,425	
Buildings, improvements and fixtures	298,147		
Deferred lease costs and other intangibles			
Above/below market lease value, net		5,166	7.1
Below market ground lease value		31,993	87.6
Lease in place value		24,232	4.0
Tenant relationships		28,628	10.2
Lease and legal costs		3,444	3.2
Total deferred lease costs and other intangibles, net		93,463	
Mortgage fair value adjustments		(7,081)	
Net assets acquired		390,954	
Less: contingent consideration		(3,023)	
Less: noncontrolling interests		(6,845)	
Consideration transferred	\$	381,086	

We incurred approximately \$2.7 million in third-party acquisition costs which were expensed as incurred. The aggregate revenues and net loss from the properties from the acquisition dates through December 31, 2011, were \$18.5 million, and \$1.5 million, respectively.

The results of operations of the acquired properties are included in the consolidated statements of operations beginning on their respective acquisition dates. The following unaudited condensed pro forma financial information for the year ended December 31, 2011 is presented as if the acquisitions had been consummated as of January 1, 2010, the beginning of the previous reporting period (in thousands):

		(Pro forma)			
		(Unaudited)			
	Y	Year ended December 3			
	2011		2010		
Total Revenue	\$ 336,838 \$			317,021	
Income from continuing operations		47,687 35			

### 6. Disposition of Properties

In May 2010, the Company's Board of Directors approved a plan for our management to sell our Commerce I, Georgia center. The majority of the center was sold in July 2010 for net proceeds of approximately \$1.4 million. The remaining portion of the center, classified as held for sale in the consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2010, was sold at the end of January 2011 for net proceeds of approximately \$724,000. During the third quarter of 2010, we recorded an impairment charge of approximately \$111,000 to lower the basis of the center to its approximate fair value which was based on the actual sales contracts related to the center. In the second quarter of 2009, we recorded an impairment charge for this property of \$5.2 million which equaled the excess of the property's carrying value over its estimated fair value at that time.

Below is a summary of the results of operations of the disposed property as presented in discontinued operations for the respective periods (in thousands):

Summary statements of operations - disposed properties	20	012	2011	2010
Total revenues	\$	<b>—</b> \$		\$ 388
Total expenses		<u> </u>	_	486
Discontinued operations	\$	— <b>\$</b>		\$ (98)

### Land Outparcel Sales

Gains on sale of outparcels are included in other income in the consolidated statements of operations. Cost is allocated to the outparcels based on the relative sales value method. Below is a summary of outparcel sales that we completed during the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively (in thousands, except number of outparcels):

	20	2	011	2010		
Number of outparcels	\$	<u>-</u>	\$		\$	3
Net proceeds		.—		_		602
Gain on sales of outparcels included in other income	\$		\$	_	\$	161

### 7. Deferred Charges

Deferred lease costs and other intangibles, net as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 consist of the following (in thousands):

2012		
56,327	\$	51,271
(1,529)		
36,602		
120,808	3	128,100
212,208	3	214,523
(111,168	3)	(93,887)
\$ 101,040	\$	120,636
2	101,040	101,040 \$

Amortization of deferred lease costs and other intangibles included in income from continuing operations for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 was \$24.1 million, \$17.0 million and \$12.3 million, respectively.

Estimated aggregate amortization expense of net above and below market leases and other intangibles for each of the five succeeding years is as follows (in thousands):

	Year	
2013		\$ 11,124
2014		8,937
2015		7,371
2016		6,390
2017		5,146
Total		\$ 38,968

Deferred debt origination costs, net as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 consist of the following (in thousands):

	2012		
Deferred debt origination costs	\$ 16,110	\$	13,519
Accumulated amortization	(7,027)		(4,658)
Deferred debt origination costs, net	\$ 9,083	\$	8,861

Amortization of deferred debt origination costs included in interest expense for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 was \$2.3 million, \$2.1 million and \$1.3 million, respectively.

### 8. Debt of the Company

All of the Company's debt is held directly or indirectly by the Operating Partnership.

The Company guarantees the Operating Partnership's obligations with respect to its unsecured lines of credit which have a total borrowing capacity of \$520.0 million. As of December 31, 2012, the Operating Partnership had \$178.3 million outstanding in total on these lines.

The Company also guarantees the Operating Partnership's obligation with respect to the mortgage assumed in connection with the acquisition of the outlet center in Ocean City, Maryland in July 2011.

### 9. Debt of the Operating Partnership

Debt as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 consists of the following (in thousands):

		As of			As of		As of			
				December	31, 2012		December 31, 2011			2011
	Stated Interest Rate(s)	Maturity Date		Principal	-	remium iscount)	F	Principal		remium iscount)
Senior, unsecured notes:								***************************************		<del></del>
Senior notes	6.15%	November 2015	\$	250,000	\$	(317)	\$	250,000	\$	(417)
Senior notes	6.125%	June 2020		300,000		(1,650)		300,000		(1,820)
Mortgages payable (1):										
Atlantic City	5.14%-7.65%	November 2021- December 2026		52,212		4,495		53,826		4,894
Ocean City	5.24%	January 2016		18,540		285		18,867		375
Hershey	5.17%-8.00%	August 2015		30,631		1,581		31,252		2,165
Note payable <sup>(1)</sup>	1.50%	June 2016		10,000		(546)		10,000		(692)
Unsecured term loan (2)	LIBOR + 1.80%	February 2019		250,000						· _
Unsecured lines of credit (3)	LIBOR + 1.25%	November 2015		178,306				357,092		
			\$	1,089,689	\$	3,848	\$ 1	1,021,037	\$	4,505

<sup>(1)</sup> The effective interest rates assigned during the purchase price allocation to these assumed mortgages and note payable during acquisitions in 2011 were as follows: Atlantic City 5.05%, Ocean City 4.68%, Hershey 3.40% and note payable 3.15%.

The unsecured lines of credit and senior unsecured notes include covenants that require the maintenance of certain ratios, including debt service coverage and leverage, and limit the payment of dividends such that dividends and distributions will not exceed funds from operations, as defined in the agreements, for the prior fiscal year on an annual basis or 95% of funds from operations on a cumulative basis. As of December 31, 2012 we were in compliance with all of our debt covenants.

### 2012 Transactions

In February 2012, the Operating Partnership closed on a seven-year \$250.0 million unsecured term loan. The term loan is interest only, matures in the first quarter of 2019 and is pre-payable without penalty beginning in February of 2015. Based on our current credit ratings, the loan has an interest rate of LIBOR + 1.80%. We used the net proceeds of the term loan to reduce the outstanding balances on our unsecured lines of credit.

### 2011 Transactions

\$150.0 Million Senior Unsecured Bridge Loan

In June 2011, the Operating Partnership closed on a \$150.0 million senior, unsecured bridge loan at an interest rate of LIBOR + 1.60% and used the proceeds from the loan to fund the acquisition of the Jeffersonville, Ohio outlet center. In November 2011, the Operating Partnership repaid this bridge loan in conjunction with the recast of its unsecured lines of credit, as discussed below.

<sup>(2)</sup> Our unsecured term loan is pre-payable without penalty beginning in February of 2015.

<sup>(3)</sup> Our unsecured lines of credit as of December 31, 2012 bear interest at a rate of LIBOR + 1.25% and expire on November 10, 2015. We have the option to extend the lines for one additional year to November 10, 2016. These lines require a facility fee payment of 0.25% annually based on the total amount of the commitment. The credit spread and facility fee can vary depending on our investment grade rating.

### Exchangeable Notes

In July 2011, the Operating Partnership issued a notice that it would redeem all outstanding senior exchangeable notes on August 18, 2011, the five year anniversary of the issuance of the notes. In response to this notice, all of the remaining noteholders exercised their exchange rights. In total during 2011, bonds in the amount of \$7.2 million were exchanged and 136,360 Company common shares were issued to note holders in addition to the principal repayments.

### Assumption of Mortgages Payable

In association with the acquisitions during the third and fourth quarters of 2011 described in Note 4, the Operating Partnership assumed mortgage debt in the amount of \$112.7 million, including total fair value premiums of \$7.8 million.

### Increase In Unsecured Lines of Credit to \$520.0 Million

In November 2011, the Operating Partnership amended its \$400.0 million of unsecured lines of credit, increasing the total capacity to \$520.0 million (of which up to \$100.0 million may be borrowed in Canadian dollars) and extending the maturity through November 10, 2015.

The unsecured lines of credit include a \$20.0 million liquidity line as well as a \$500.0 million syndicated line. The syndicated line may be increased to \$750.0 million through an accordion feature in certain circumstances. We have the option to extend the lines for an additional one year to November 10, 2016. As of the date of this filing, based on the Operating Partnership's long-term debt rating, the lines bear interest at a credit spread over LIBOR + 1.25% and require the payment of an annual facility fee of 0.25% on the total committed amount. Previously, the credit spread over LIBOR was 1.90% and the annual facility fee was 0.40%. The Company guarantees the Operating Partnership's obligations under these lines.

### 2010 Transactions

### \$300.0 million senior notes

In June 2010, the Operating Partnership completed a public offering of \$300.0 million of 6.125% senior notes due 2020 (the "2020 Notes"). The 2020 Notes pay interest semi-annually and were priced at 99.310% of the principal amount to yield 6.219% to maturity.

Net proceeds from the offering, after deducting the underwriting discount and offering expenses, were approximately \$295.5 million. We used the net proceeds from the sale of the 2020 Notes to (i) repay our \$235.0 million unsecured term loan due in June 2011, (ii) pay approximately \$6.1 million to terminate two interest rate swap agreements associated with the term loan, (iii) repay borrowings under our unsecured lines of credit and (iv) for general working capital purposes.

No prepayment or early termination penalty was paid as a result of the repayment of the term loan; however, unamortized loan origination costs of approximately \$563,000 were written-off during the second quarter of 2010.

### \$400.0 million unsecured lines of credit

In November 2010, the Operating Partnership entered into a \$385.0 million syndicated, unsecured revolving line of credit. In addition, the Operating Partnership simultaneously entered into a \$15.0 million liquidity line of credit with Bank of America, N.A. providing total revolving line capacity of \$400.0 million. The liquidity line's terms were substantially the same as the syndicated line, including maturity date.

### **Debt Maturities**

Maturities of the existing long-term debt as of December 31, 2012 are as follows (in thousands):

Calendar Year	Amount
2013	\$ 4,633
2014	3,599
2015	460,645
2016	30,279
2017	3,004
Thereafter	587,529
Subtotal	1,089,689
Net premiums	3,848
Total	\$ 1,093,537

### 10. Fair Value Measurements

This note contains required fair value disclosures for certain assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring and non-recurring basis.

Fair value guidance establishes a three-tier fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value. These tiers are defined as follows:

Description

Level 2	Defined as inputs other than quoted prices in active markets that are either directly or indirectly observable
Level 3	Defined as unobservable inputs in which little or no market data exists, therefore requiring an entity to develop its own assumptions

Level 1 Defined as observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets

The estimated fair value of our debt, consisting of senior unsecured notes, mortgages unsecured term loans and unsecured lines of credit, at December 31, 2012 and 2011 was \$1.2 billion and \$1.1 billion, respectively, and its recorded value was \$1.1 billion and \$1.0 billion, respectively. Fair values were determined, based on level 2 inputs, using discounted cash flow analysis with an interest rate or credit spread similar to that of current market borrowing arrangements.

### 11. Shareholders' Equity of the Company

### 2012 Transactions

Tier

For the year ended December 31, 2012, various Family Limited Partners exchanged a total of 1,682,507 Operating Partnership units for 6,730,028 common shares of the Company. These shares were registered by a registration statement that became effective on August 12, 2011. After the above described exchanges, the Family Limited Partners owned 1,190,466 Operating Partnership units which are exchangeable for 4,761,864 common shares of the Company.

### 2 for 1 Common Share Split

The Company's Board of Directors declared a 2 for 1 split of the Company's common shares on January 13, 2011, effective in the form of a share dividend, payable on January 24, 2011. The Company retained the current par value of \$0.01 per share on all common shares. All references to the number of shares outstanding, per share amounts and share options data of the Company's common shares reflect the effect of the split for all periods presented. Since the number of Operating Partnership units did not change as a result of the split, each Operating Partnership unit owned by the Family Limited Partners is now exchangeable for four of the Company's common shares. Prior to the 2011 split, the exchange ratio was one unit for two common shares.

### **Common Share Offering**

On July 6, 2011, the Company completed a public offering of 4.6 million common shares at a price of \$25.662 per share. The net proceeds to the Company from the offering, after deducting estimated offering expenses, were approximately \$117.4 million. Net proceeds from the offering were contributed to the Operating Partnership in exchange for 13,000 general partnership common units and 1,137,000 limited partnership common units. The Operating Partnership used the net proceeds from the offering to repay borrowings under its unsecured lines of credit and for general corporate purposes.

### **Redemption of Senior Exchangeable Notes**

As discussed in Note 9, 136,360 Company common shares were issued in connection with the exchange of senior exchangeable notes during 2011.

### **Exchange of Operating Partnership Units for Company Common Shares**

On August 17, 2011, 160,332 Operating Partnership units were exchanged by a Family Limited Partner for 641,328 Company common shares. These shares were registered by a registration statement that became effective on August 12, 2011.

### 12. Partners' Equity of the Operating Partnership

At December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the ownership interests of the Operating Partnership consisted of the following:

	2012	2011
Common units:		
General partner	250,000	250,000
Limited partners	24,455,812	24,304,887
Total common units	24,705,812	24,554,887

When the Company issues common shares upon exercise of options or issuance of restricted share awards, the Operating Partnership issues a corresponding unit to the Company on a four shares for one unit basis.

At December 31, 2012, the Family Limited Partners owned 1,190,466 limited partnership common units which are exchangeable for 4,761,864 common shares of the Company. The Company owned the remaining limited partnership common units and all of the general partnership common units.

### 13. Noncontrolling Interests

Noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership relate to the interests in the Operating Partnership owned by Family Limited Partners as discussed in Note 1. Family Limited Partners are holders of Operating Partnership units that may be exchanged for the Company's common shares in a ratio of one unit for four common shares of the Company. The noncontrolling interests in other consolidated partnerships consist of outside equity interests in partnerships not wholly owned by the Company or the Operating Partnership that are consolidated with the financial results of the Company and Operating Partnership because the Operating Partnership exercises control over the entities that own the properties.

As discussed in Note 11, various Family Limited Partners exchanged during 2012 a total of 1,682,507 Operating Partnership units for 6,730,028 common shares of the Company and during 2011 exchanged 160,332 Operating Partnership units for 641,328 common shares of the Company. Therefore, the Company recorded an increase to additional paid-in capital of \$34.9 million during 2012 to reflect the transfer of ownership interests from a noncontrolling unit holder to a shareholder of the Company's common shares. The changes in the Company's ownership interests in the subsidiaries impacted consolidated equity during the periods shown as follows:

	2012	2011
Net income attributable to Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.	\$ 53,228	\$ 44,641
Increase (decrease) in Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. paid-in-capital adjustments to noncontrolling interests (1)	34,910	 (9,242)
Changes from net income attributable to Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. and transfers from noncontrolling interest	\$ 88,138	\$ 35,399

<sup>(1)</sup> In 2012 and 2011, adjustments of the noncontrolling interest were made as a result of increases in the Company's ownership of the Operating Partnership from additional units received in connection with the Company's issuance of common shares upon exercise of options, share-based compensation and the issuance of common shares upon exchange of Operating Partnership units by Family Limited Partners.

### 14. Earnings Per Share of the Company

The following table sets forth a reconciliation of the numerators and denominators in computing earnings per share for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands, except per share amounts). Note that per share amounts reflect a two-for-one split of the Company's common shares in January 2011.

	2012		2011		2010	
NUMERATOR						
Income from continuing operations attributable to Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.	\$	53,228	\$	44,641	\$	34,334
Applicable preferred share dividends		_				(5,297)
Original issuance costs related to redeemed preferred shares		· <del>-</del>		_		(2,539)
Allocation of earnings to participating securities		(784)		(684)		(598)
Income from continuing operations available to common shareholders of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.		52,444		43,957		25,900
Discontinued operations attributable to participating securities						_
Discontinued operations attributable to Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.		_		_		(85)
Net income available to common shareholders of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.	\$	52,444	\$	43,957	\$	25,815
DENOMINATOR						
Basic weighted average common shares		91,733		83,000		80,187
Effect of notional units		846		965		
Effect of exchangeable notes				93		112
Effect of outstanding options		82		71		91
Diluted weighted average common shares		92,661		84,129		80,390
Basic earnings per common share:						
Income from continuing operations	\$	0.57	\$	0.53	\$	0.32
Discontinued operations				_		
Net income	\$	0.57	\$	0.53	\$	0.32
Diluted earnings per common share:						
Income from continuing operations	\$	0.57	\$	0.52	\$	0.32
Discontinued operations		_		_		
Net income	\$	0.57	\$	0.52	\$	0.32

The notional units are considered contingently issuable common shares and are included in earnings per share if the effect is dilutive using the treasury stock method.

Outstanding senior, exchangeable notes were included in the diluted earnings per share computation, if the effect was dilutive, using the treasury stock method. In applying the treasury stock method, the effect was dilutive if the average market price of our common shares for at least 20 trading days in the 30 consecutive trading days at the end of each quarter were higher than the exchange price, which prior to redemption was \$17.83 per share. The remaining senior exchangeable notes were exchanged for the Company's common shares during 2011.

The computation of diluted earnings per share excludes options to purchase common shares when the exercise price is greater than the average market price of the common shares for the period. For the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, 17,600 and 183,500 options were excluded from the computation, respectively. No options were excluded from the computation for the year ended December 31, 2010. The assumed exchange of the partnership units held by the noncontrolling interest limited partners as of the beginning of the year, which would result in the elimination of earnings allocated to the noncontrolling interest in the Operating Partnership, would have no impact on earnings per share since the allocation of earnings to a partnership unit, as if exchanged, is equivalent to earnings allocated to a common share.

Certain of the Company's unvested restricted common share awards contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents. The impact of the unvested restricted common share awards on earnings per share has been calculated using the two-class method whereby earnings are allocated to the unvested restricted common share awards based on dividends declared and the unvested restricted common shares' participation rights in undistributed earnings.

### 15. Earnings Per Unit of the Operating Partnership

The following table sets forth a reconciliation of the numerators and denominators in computing earnings per unit for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands, except per unit amounts):

	2012 2011		2010	
NUMERATOR				
Income from continuing operations available to partners of the Operating Partnership	\$	56,495	\$ 50,997	\$ 38,342
Applicable preferred unit distributions				(5,297)
Original issuance costs related to redeemed preferred units		<del></del>		(2,539)
Allocation of earnings to participating securities		(784)	(684)	(598)
Income from continuing operations available to common unitholders of the Operating Partnership		55,711	50,313	29,908
Discontinued operations			· —	(98)
Net income available to common unitholders of the Operating Partnership	\$	55,711	\$ 50,313	\$ 29,810
DENOMINATOR			 	
Basic weighted average common units		24,419	23,723	23,080
Effect of notional units		212	241	<del></del>
Effect of exchangeable notes		_	23	28
Effect of outstanding options		20	18	23
Diluted weighted average common units		24,651	 24,005	 23,131
Basic earnings per common unit:				
Income from continuing operations	\$	2.28	\$ 2.12	\$ 1.29
Discontinued operations				
Net income	\$	2.28	\$ 2.12	\$ 1.29
Diluted earnings per common unit:				
Income from continuing operations	\$	2.26	\$ 2.10	\$ 1.29
Discontinued operations			 	
Net income	\$	2.26	\$ 2.10	\$ 1.29

The notional units are considered contingently issuable common units and are included in earnings per unit if the effect is dilutive using the treasury stock method.

When the Company issues common shares upon exercise of options or issues restricted common share awards, the Operating Partnership issues one corresponding unit to the Company for every four common shares issued. Outstanding senior, exchangeable notes were included in the diluted earnings per unit computation, if the effect was dilutive, using the treasury stock method. In applying the treasury stock method, the effect was dilutive if the average market price of the Company's common shares for at least 20 trading days in the 30 consecutive trading days at the end of each quarter were higher than the exchange price, which prior to redemption was \$17.83 per common share. The remaining senior exchangeable notes were exchanged for the Company's common shares during 2011.

The computation of diluted earnings per unit excludes options to purchase common units when the exercise price is greater than the average market price of the common units for the period. The market price of a common unit is considered to be equivalent to four times the market price of a Company common share. For the year ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, 4,400 and 45,875 options were excluded from the computation. No options were excluded from the computation for the year ended December 31, 2010.

The Company's unvested restricted common share awards contain non-forfeitable rights to distributions or distribution equivalents. The impact of the unvested restricted unit awards on earnings per unit has been calculated using the two-class method whereby earnings are allocated to the unvested restricted unit awards based on distributions declared and the unvested restricted units' participation rights in undistributed earnings.

### 16. Share-Based Compensation of the Company

We have a shareholder approved share-based compensation plan, the Amended and Restated Incentive Award Plan of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers and Tanger Properties Limited Partnership (the "Plan"), which covers our independent directors, officers and our employees. We may issue up to 15.4 million common shares under the Plan. Through December 31, 2012, we had granted 7,337,760 options, net of options forfeited, and 3,340,820 restricted common share awards, net of restricted common shares forfeited, and notional units which may result in the issuance of a maximum of 1,176,000 common shares. Shares remaining available for future issuance totaled 3,545,420 common shares. The amount and terms of the awards granted under the Plan are determined by the Share and Unit Option Committee of the Board of Directors.

During 2012, 2011 and 2010, the Board of Directors approved the grant of 346,000, 329,000 and 312,750 restricted common shares, respectively, to the independent directors and the senior executive officers. The independent directors' restricted common shares vest ratably over a three year period and the senior executive officers' restricted common shares vest ratably over a five year period. For all of the restricted common share awards described above, the grant date fair value of the award was determined based upon the closing market price of the Company's common shares on the day prior to the grant date and the associated compensation expense is being recognized in accordance with the vesting schedule of each grant.

In addition, during February 2012, the Board of Directors approved the grant of 225,000 restricted common shares with a grant date fair value of \$25.44 to Steven B. Tanger, our President and Chief Executive Officer, under the terms of his amended and restated Employment Agreement (the "Employment Agreement") signed on February 28, 2012. Under the terms of the Employment Agreement, the Company granted Mr. Tanger the following: 45,000 fully-vested common shares; 90,000 restricted common shares that vest ratably over five years based on Mr. Tanger's continued employment with the Company and 90,000 restricted common shares that vest ratably over five years based on Mr. Tanger's continued employment with the Company and the Company achieving certain minimum total returns to shareholders.

In February 2011, the Company's Board of Directors approved the grant of 191,500 options to non-executive employees of the Company. The exercise price of the options granted during the first quarter of 2011 is \$26.06 which equaled the closing market price of the Company's common shares on the day prior to the grant date. The options expire 10 years from the date of grant and 20% of the options become exercisable in each of the first five years commencing one year from the date of grant. The fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted-average assumptions used for the 2011 grant: expected dividend yield 3.0%; expected life of 7 years; expected volatility of 32.8%; a risk-free rate of 2.9%; and forfeiture rates of 3.0% to 20.0% dependent upon the employee's position within the Company.

Also, during the first quarter of 2010, the Company's Compensation Committee Approved the general terms of the Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. 2010 Multi-Year Performance Plan, (the "2010 Multi-Year Performance Plan"). Under the 2010 Multi-Year Performance Plan, we granted 392,000 notional units, net of notional units forfeited, to award recipients as a group. If the Company's aggregate share price appreciation during the four year period beginning January 1, 2010 equals or exceeds the minimum threshold of 40%, then the notional units will convert into the Company's restricted common shares on a one-for-one basis.

The notional units will convert into restricted common shares on a one-for-two basis if the share price appreciation exceeds the target threshold of 50% and on a one-for-three basis if the share price appreciation exceeds the maximum of 60%. The notional amounts will convert on a pro-rata basis between share price appreciation thresholds. The share price targets will be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis with respect to any dividend payments made during the measurement period, subject to a minimum level price target. For notional amounts granted in 2010, any shares earned on December 31, 2013 will vest on December 31, 2014 contingent on continued employment through the vesting date.

The notional units, prior to the date they are converted into restricted common shares, will not entitle award recipients to receive any dividends or other distributions. If the notional units are earned, and thereby converted into restricted common shares, then award recipients will be entitled to receive a payment of all dividends and other distributions that would have been paid had the number of earned common shares been issued at the beginning of the performance period. Thereafter, dividends and other distributions will be paid currently with respect to all restricted common shares that were earned. At the end of the four-year performance period, if the minimum share price threshold is not achieved but the Company's share performance exceeds the 50th percentile of the share performance of its peer group, the notional units will convert into restricted common shares on a one-for-one basis. All determinations, interpretations and assumptions relating to the vesting and calculation of the performance awards will be made by the Company's Compensation Committee.

We recorded share based compensation expense in general and administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of operations for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively, as follows (in thousands):

	2012	2011	2010	
Restricted common shares	\$ 8,485	\$ 5,227	\$	4,095
Notional unit performance awards	1,970	1,885		1,753
Options	209	179		
Total share based compensation	\$ 10,664	\$ 7,291	\$	5,848

<sup>(1)</sup> For the year ended December 31, 2012, includes approximately \$1.3 million of compensation expense related to 45,000 common shares that vested immediately upon grant related to the Employment Agreement described above.

Share-based compensation expense capitalized as a part of rental property and deferred lease costs during the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 was \$368,000, \$234,000 and \$393,000, respectively.

Options outstanding at December 31, 2012 had the following weighted average exercise prices and weighted average remaining contractual lives:

	Options O	utstan	ding		Options E	Exercisable			
Exercise prices	Options	Weighted average exercise price		Weighted remaining contractual life in years Options		a	eighted verage cise price		
\$9.71	41,000	\$	9.71	1.32	41,000	\$	9.71		
\$11.81	12,000		11.81	1.84	12,000		11.81		
\$26.06	162,800		26.06	8.14	28,000		26.06		
	215,800	\$	22.16	6.50	81,000	\$	15.67		

A summary of option activity under our Amended and Restated Incentive Award Plan as of December 31, 2012 and changes during the year then ended is presented below (aggregate intrinsic value amount in thousands):

Options	Shares	а	eighted- verage cise price	Weighted- average remaining contractual life in years	gregate sic value
Outstanding as of December 31, 2011	261,200	\$	20.92		
Granted					
Exercised	(37,700)		12.74		
Forfeited	(7,700)		26.06		
Outstanding as of December 31, 2012	215,800	\$	22.16	6.50	\$ 2,583
Vested and Expected to Vest as of					
December 31, 2012	182,762	\$	21.46	6.20	\$ 2,316
Exercisable as of December 31, 2012	81,000	\$	15.67	3.74	\$ 1,495

The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 was \$716,000, \$652,000 and \$1.7 million, respectively.

The following table summarizes information related to unvested restricted common shares outstanding as of December 31, 2012:

Unvested Restricted Common Shares	Number of shares	aver	eighted age grant fair value
Unvested at December 31, 2011	791,337	\$	20.93
Granted	571,000		27.90
Vested	(309,344)	)	21.92
Forfeited	(5,000)		29.50
Unvested at December 31, 2012	1,047,993	\$	24.39

The total value of restricted common shares vested during the years ended 2012, 2011 and 2010 was \$10.6 million, \$7.1 million and \$4.7 million, respectively.

As of December 31, 2012, there was \$20.0 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested common share-based compensation arrangements granted under the Plan. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 3.4 years.

### 17. Equity-Based Compensation of the Operating Partnership

As discussed in Note 16, the Operating Partnership and the Company have a joint plan whereby equity based and performance based awards may be granted to directors, officers and employees. When common shares are issued by the Company, the Operating Partnership issues corresponding units to the Company based on the current exchange ratio as provided by the Operating Partnership agreement. Based on the current exchange ratio, each unit in the Operating Partnership is equivalent to four common shares of the Company. Therefore, when the Company grants an equity based award, the Operating Partnership treats each award as having been granted by the Operating Partnership. The maximum units that may be issued to the Company due to equity awards granted by the Company are limited by the Plan to 15.4 million of the Company's common shares, or in terms of units, 3,850,000 units. Units available to satisfy future equity based awards by the Company at December 31, 2012 totaled 886,355.

The tables below set forth the unit based compensation expense and other related information as recognized in the Operating Partnership's consolidated financial statements.

We recorded equity-based compensation expense in general and administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of operations for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively, as follows (in thousands):

	20		2011		2010
Restricted units (1)	\$	8,485	\$ 5,227	\$	4,095
Notional unit performance awards		1,970	1,885		1,753
Options		209	 179		_
Total equity based compensation	\$	10,664	\$ 7,291	\$	5,848

<sup>(1)</sup> For the twelve months ended December 31, 2012, includes approximately \$1.3 million of compensation expense related to 11,250 units issued related to a restricted share grant that vested immediately pursuant to the Employment Agreement as described in footnote 16.

Equity-based compensation expense capitalized as a part of rental property and deferred lease costs during the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 was \$368,000, \$234,000 and \$393,000, respectively.

Options outstanding at December 31, 2012 had the following weighted average exercise prices and weighted average remaining contractual lives:

·	Options O	utsta	nding		Options E	xerci	rercisable		
Range of exercise prices	Options	Weighted average exercise price		Weighted remaining contractual life in years	Options	á	Veighted average ercise price		
\$38.83	10,250	\$	38.83	1.32	10,250	\$	38.83		
\$47.25	3,000		47.25	1.84	3,000		47.25		
\$104.24	40,700		104.24	8.14	7,000		104.24		
	53,950	\$	88.64	6.50	20,250	\$	62.69		

A summary of option activity under our Amended and Restated Incentive Award Plan as of December 31, 2012 and changes during the year then ended is presented below (aggregate intrinsic value amount in thousands):

Options	Units	8	/eighted- average rcise price	Weighted- average remaining contractual life in years	Ag intrir	gregate sic value
Outstanding as of December 31, 2011	65,300	\$	83.66			
Granted	_					
Exercised	(9,425)		50.96			
Forfeited	(1,925)		104.24			
Outstanding as of December 31, 2012	53,950	\$	88.64	6.50	\$	2,583
Vested and Expected to Vest as of						
December 31, 2012	45,691	\$	85.82	6.20	\$	2,316
Exercisable as of December 31, 2012	20,250	\$	62.69	3.74	\$	1,495

The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 was \$716,000, \$652,000 and \$1.7 million, respectively.

The following table summarizes information related to unvested restricted units outstanding as of December 31, 2012:

Unvested Restricted Units	Number of units	ave	/eighted rage grant e fair value
Unvested at December 31, 2011	197,834	\$	83.70
Granted	142,750		111.59
Vested	(77,336)		87.69
Forfeited	(1,250)		118.00
Unvested at December 31, 2012	261,998	\$	97.56

The total value of restricted units vested during the years ended 2012, 2011 and 2010 was \$10.6 million, \$7.1 million and \$4.7 million, respectively.

As of December 31, 2012, there was \$20.0 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested equity-based compensation arrangements granted under the Plan. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 3.4 years.

### 18. Supplementary Income Statement Information

The following amounts are included in property operating expenses in income from continuing operations for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands):

	2012	2011	2010	
Advertising and promotion	\$ 23,051	\$ 21,880	\$	20,245
Common area maintenance	53,179	48,333		43,218
Real estate taxes	19,842	16,710		15,593
Other operating expenses	15,088	13,323		13,842
	\$ 111,160	\$ 100,246	\$	92,898

### 19. Lease Agreements

We are the lessor of over 2,300 stores in our 36 consolidated outlet centers, under operating leases with initial terms that expire from 2013 to 2032. Future minimum lease receipts under non-cancellable operating leases as of December 31, 2012, excluding the effect of straight-line rent and percentage rentals, are as follows (in thousands):

2013	\$ 207,650
2014	181,391
2015	159,730
2016	131,306
2017	101,993
Thereafter	231,946
	\$ 1,014,016

### 20. Commitments and Contingencies

Our non-cancelable operating leases, with initial terms in excess of one year, have terms that expire from 2013 to 2101. Annual rental payments for these leases totaled approximately \$5.8 million, \$6.1 million and \$5.3 million, for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Minimum lease payments for the next five years and thereafter are as follows (in thousands):

2013	\$ 5,329
2014	4,943
2015	4,671
2016	4,566
2017	4,553
Thereafter	264,796
	\$ 288,858

Commitments to complete construction of our ongoing capital projects and other capital expenditure requirements amounted to approximately \$14.3 million at December 31, 2012. Commitments for construction represent only those costs contractually required to be paid by us.

We are also subject to legal proceedings and claims which have arisen in the ordinary course of our business and have not been finally adjudicated. In our opinion, the ultimate resolution of these matters is not expected to have a material effect on our results of operations, financial condition or cash flows.

### 21. Related Party Transactions

During the third quarter of 2010, Stanley K. Tanger, the Company's founder, transferred his general partnership interest in the Tanger Family Limited Partnership, to the Stanley K. Tanger Marital Trust. As discussed in Note 2, the Tanger Family Limited Partnership was the noncontrolling interest in the Company's consolidated financial statements. The sole trustee of the Stanley K. Tanger Marital Trust, and thus effectively the general partner of Tanger Family Limited Partnership, was John H. Vernon. Mr. Vernon is a partner at the law firm of Vernon, Vernon, Wooten, Brown, Andrews & Garrett, or the Vernon Law Firm, which has served as the principal outside counsel of the Company and Operating Partnership since their inception in 1993. Based on Mr. Vernon's position as trustee of the Stanley K. Tanger Marital Trust, the general partner of the Tanger Family Limited Partnership, he was considered a related party until the dissolution of the Tanger Family Limited Partnership on June 1, 2011. However, Mr. Vernon had neither ownership rights nor economic interests in either the Tanger Family Limited Partnership or the Stanley K. Tanger Marital Trust while he served as trustee.

Fees paid to the Vernon Law Firm were approximately \$1.6 million and \$1.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Effective June 1, 2011, upon dissolution of the Tanger Family Limited Partnership, Mr. Vernon was no longer considered a related party.

For the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, Tanger Family Limited Partnership received quarterly distributions of earnings totaling \$4.8 million and \$9.4 million, respectively.

On June 1, 2011, the Tanger Family Limited Partnership was dissolved in connection with the settling of the estate of Stanley K. Tanger. Upon dissolution of the Tanger Family Limited Partnership, the units of the Operating Partnership owned by the Tanger Family Limited Partnership were distributed to the Family Limited Partners, who are primarily the descendants of Stanley Tanger (including Steven Tanger, the Company's Chief Executive Officer), their spouses or former spouses or their children and/or trusts for their benefit. Each such individual beneficial owner is now an individual limited partner of the Operating Partnership, and each has the ability to exchange their Operating Partnership units for the Company's common shares in the ratio of one Operating Partnership unit for four Company common shares. During 2012 and 2011, a total of 1,842,839 Operating Partnership units were exchanged by certain Family Limited Partners for 7,371,356 Company common shares.

### 22. Subsequent Events

In February 2013, the Compensation Committee of the Company approved the general terms of the Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. 2013 Outperformance Plan (the "2013 OPP"). The 2013 OPP provides for the grant of performance shares under the Amended and Restated Incentive Award Plan of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. Under the 2013 OPP, the Company will grant an aggregate of 315,150 performance shares to award recipients, which may convert, subject to the achievement of certain goals, into a maximum of 315,150 restricted common shares of the Company based on the Company's absolute share price appreciation and its share price appreciation relative to its peer group, over the three-year measurement period from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2015.

The 2013 OPP is a long-term incentive compensation plan pursuant to which award recipients may earn up to an aggregate of 315,150 restricted common shares of the Company based on the Company's share price appreciation (or total shareholder return) over three years beginning on January 1, 2013. The maximum number of shares will be earned under this plan if the Company both (a) achieves 35% or higher share price appreciation, inclusive of all dividends paid, over the three-year measurement period and (b) is in the 70th or greater percentile of its peer group for total shareholder return over the three-year measurement period. The Company expects that the maximum value of the awards, if the Company achieves or exceeds the 35% share price appreciation and is in the 70th or greater percentile of its peer group for total shareholder return over the three-year measurement period, will equal approximately \$13.25 million.

Any shares earned on December 31, 2015 are also subject to a time based vesting schedule. 50% of the shares will vest on January 4, 2016 and the remaining 50% will vest on January 3, 2017, contingent upon continued employment with the Company through the vesting dates.

With respect to 70% of the performance shares (or 220,605 shares), 33.33% of this portion of the award (or 73,528 shares) will be earned if the Company's aggregate share price appreciation, inclusive of all dividends paid during this period, equals 25% over the three-year measurement period, 66.67% of the award (or 147,077 shares) will be earned if the Company's aggregate share price appreciation, inclusive of all dividends paid during this period equals 30%, and 100.00% of this portion of the award (or 220,605 shares) will be earned if the Company's aggregate share price appreciation, inclusive of all dividends paid during this period, equals 35% or higher.

With respect to 30% of the performance shares (or 94,545 shares), 33.33% of this portion of the award (or 31,512 shares) will be earned if the Company's share price appreciation inclusive of all dividends paid is in the 50th percentile of its peer group over the three-year measurement period, 66.67% of this portion of the award (or 63,033 shares) will be earned if the Company's share price appreciation inclusive of all dividends paid is in the 60th percentile of its peer group during this period, and 100.00% of this portion of the award (or 94,545 shares) will be earned if the Company's share price appreciation inclusive of all dividends paid is in the 70th percentile of its peer group or greater during this period. The peer group will be based on the SNL Equity REIT index.

The performance shares will convert on a pro-rata basis by linear interpolation between share price appreciation thresholds, both for absolute share price appreciation and for relative share price appreciation amongst the Company's peer group. The share price targets will be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis with respect to any dividend payments made during the measurement period.

### 23. Quarterly Financial Data of the Company (Unaudited)

The following table sets forth the Company's summary quarterly financial information for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 (unaudited and in thousands, except per common share data) <sup>(1)</sup>. This information is not required for the Operating Partnership. Also, note that all per share amounts reflect the Company's two for one split of its common shares effective January 24, 2011:

	Year Ended December 31, 2012										
	(	First Quarter	_	Second Quarter	(	Third Quarter		Fourth Quarter			
Total revenues	\$	84,243	\$	87,335	\$	90,483	\$	94,936			
Operating income		22,620		25,736		29,042		32,187			
Income from continuing operations		8,834		12,458		16,170		19,014			
Net income		8,834		12,458		16,170		19,014			
Income attributable to Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.		8,128		11,717		15,237		18,056			
Income available to common shareholders of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.		7,970		11,508		15,118		17,848			
Basic earnings per share available to common shareholders	- <del></del>										
Income from continuing operations	\$	0.09	\$	0.13	\$	0.16	\$	0.19			
Net income	\$	0.09	\$	0.13	\$	0.16	\$	0.19			
Diluted earnings per share available to common shareholders						<u>.</u>					
Income from continuing operations	\$	0.09	\$	0.12	\$	0.16	\$	0.19			
Net income	\$	0.09	\$	0.12	\$	0.16	\$	0.19			

<sup>(1)</sup> Quarterly amounts may not add to annual amounts due to the effect of rounding on a quarterly basis.

Year Ended December 31, 2011
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	(	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter		Fourth Quarter
Total revenues	\$	70,739	\$ 72,101	\$ 83,243	\$	89,140
Operating income		21,174	22,319	26,177		28,266
Income from continuing operations		10,817	10,842	14,192		15,138
Net income		10,817	10,842	14,192		15,138
Income attributable to Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.		9,398	9,422	12,464		13,357
Income available to common shareholders of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.		9,206	8,257	12,300		13,194
Basic earnings per share available to common shareholders	-				_	
Income from continuing operations	\$	0.11	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.14	\$	0.15
Net income	\$	0.11	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.14	\$	0.15
Diluted earnings per share available to common shareholders			 			
Income from continuing operations	\$	0.11	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.14	\$	0.15
Net income	\$	0.11	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.14	\$	0.15

<sup>(1)</sup> Quarterly amounts may not add to annual amounts due to the effect of rounding on a quarterly basis.

# TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES TANGER PROPERTIES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP AND SUBSIDIARIES SCHEDULE III - REAL ESTATE AND ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION

For the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (in thousands)

Desc	ription	_		cost to npany	Subse Acqu	apitalized quent to uisition vements)		nount Carried Period cember 31, 20				
Outlet Center Name	Location	Encum- brances	Land	Buildings, Improve- ments & Fixtures	Land	Buildings, Improve- ments & Fixtures	Land	Buildings, Improve- ments & Fixtures	Total	Accumulated Depreciation	Date of Construction	Life Used to Compute Depreciation in Income Statement
Atlantic City	Atlantic City, NJ	\$ 56,707	\$ —	\$ 125,988	\$ —	\$ 1,153	\$ —	\$ 127,141	\$ 127,141	\$ 7,066	2011 <sup>(3)</sup>	(2)
Barstow	Barstow, CA		3,281	12,533		19,796	3,281	32,329	35,610	16,362	1995	(2)
Blowing Rock	Blowing Rock, NC		1,963	9,424		5,185	1,963	14,609	16,572	7,221	1997 <sup>(3)</sup>	(2)
Branson	Branson, MO		4,407	25,040	396	13,974	4,803	39,014	43,817	23,770	1994	(2)
Charleston	Charleston, SC		10,353	48,877		7,763	10,353	56,640	66,993	16,618	2006	(2)
Commerce II	Commerce, GA		1,262	14,046	707	30,199	1,969	44,245	46,214	24,736	1995	(2)
Foley	Foley, AL		4,400	82,410	693	40,549	5,093	122,959	128,052	34,349	2003 (3)	(2)
Gonzales	Gonzales, LA		679	15,895		25,433	679	41,328	42,007	21,802	1992	(2)
Hershey	Hershey, PA	32,213	3,673	48,186	_	1,884	3,673	50,070	53,743	2,702	2011 <sup>(3)</sup>	(2)
Hilton Head I	Bluffton, SC		4,753			31,161	4,753	31,161	35,914	3,345	2011	(2)
Hilton Head II	Bluffton, SC		5,128	20,668		7,523	5,128	28,191	33,319	9,281	2003 (3)	(2)
Howell	Howell, MI	_	2,250	35,250		9,707	2,250	44,957	47,207	15,096	2002 (3)	(2)
Jeffersonville	Jeffersonville, OH		2,752	111,276	_	4,825	2,752	116,101	118,853	5,928	2011 <sup>(3)</sup>	(2)
Kittery I	Kittery, ME		1,242	2,961	229	2,357	1,471	5,318	6,789	4,288	1986	(2)
Kittery II	Kittery, ME		1,451	1,835		769	1,451	2,604	4,055	2,181	1989	(2)
Lancaster	Lancaster, PA		3,691	19,907		17,032	3,691	36,939	40,630	22,342	1994 <sup>(3)</sup>	(2)
Lincoln City	Lincoln City, OR	_	6,268	28,663	267	8,726	6,535	37,389	43,924	12,532	2003 <sup>(3)</sup>	(2)
Locust Grove	Locust Grove, GA		2,558	11,801		26,454	2,558	38,255	40,813	19,366	1994	(2)
Mebane	Mebane, NC		8,821	53,362	_	676	8,821	54,038	62,859	6,914	2010	(2)
Myrtle Beach Hwy 17	Myrtle Beach, SC			80,733		4,612		85,345	85,345	14,165	2009 <sup>(3)</sup>	(2)
Myrtle Beach Hwy 501	Myrtle Beach, SC		10,236	57,094		34,708	10,236	91,802	102,038	24,620	2003 (3)	(2)
Nags Head	Nags Head, NC		1,853	6,679		5,089	1,853	11,768	13,621	6,281	1997 <sup>(3)</sup>	(2)
Ocean City	Ocean City, MD	18,825		16,334		5,142		21,476	21,476	1,405	2011 <sup>(3)</sup>	(2)
Park City	Park City, UT		6,900	33,597	343	17,996	7,243	51,593	58,836	15,324	2003 (3)	(2)
Rehoboth Beach	Rehoboth Beach, DE		20,600	74,209	1,875	27,218	22,475	101,427	123,902	29,175	2003 (3)	(2)
Riverhead	Riverhead, NY			36,374	6,152	85,263	6,152	121,637	127,789	66,807	1993	(2)
San Marcos	San Marcos, TX		1,801	9,440	16	46,047	1,817	55,487	57,304	31,573	1993	(2)

# TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES TANGER PROPERTIES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP AND SUBSIDIARIES SCHEDULE III - REAL ESTATE AND ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION

For the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (in thousands)

Description		Init Description C						ount Carried Period cember 31, 20				Life Used to
Outlet Center Name	Location	Encum- brances	Land	Buildings, Improve- ments & Fixtures	Land	Buildings, Improve- ments & Fixtures	Land	Buildings, Improve- ments & Fixtures	Total	Accumulated Date of Depreciation		Compute Depreciation in Income Statement
Sanibel	Sanibel, FL		4,916	23,196		12,463	4,916	35,659	40,575	17,36		(2)
Sevierville	Sevierville, TN			18,495		36,563		55,058	55,058	26,78	8 1997 <sup>(3)</sup>	(2)
Seymour	Seymour, IN		200				200		200		1994	(2)
Terrell	Terrell, TX		523	13,432		8,455	523	21,887	22,410	15,94		(2)
Tilton	Tilton, NH		1,800	24,838	29	9,293	1,829	34,131	35,960	11,20		(2)
Tuscola	Tuscola, IL		1,600	15,428	43	3,722	1,643	19,150	20,793	6,43	3 2003 (3)	(2)
Washington	Washington, PA		5,528	91,288	3	10,201	5,531	101,489	107,020	24,18	4 2008	(2)
West Branch	West Branch, MI		319	3,428	120	9,221	439	12,649	13,088	8,28		(2)
Westbrook	Westbrook, CT		6,264	26,991	4,233	5,532	10,497	32,523	43,020	10,33	7 2003 (3)	(2)
Williamsburg	Williamsburg, IA		706	6,781	716	16,198	1,422	22,979	24,401	17,07	5 1991	(2)
		\$107,745	\$132,178	\$1,206,459	\$ 15,824	\$ 592,891	\$148,002	\$1,799,350	\$1,947,352	\$ 582,85	9	

<sup>(1)</sup> Aggregate cost for federal income tax purposes is approximately \$2.0 billion.

<sup>(2)</sup> We generally use estimated lives of 33 years for buildings and 15 years for land improvements. Tenant finishing allowances are depreciated over the initial lease term. Building, improvements & fixtures includes amounts included in construction in progress on the consolidated balance sheet.

<sup>(3)</sup> Represents year acquired.

## TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC. and SUBSIDIARIES TANGER PROPERTIES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP and SUBSIDIARIES SCHEDULE III - (Continued)

## REAL ESTATE AND ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION

For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

(in thousands)

The changes in total real estate for the three years ended December 31, 2012 are as follows:

	2012	2011	 2010
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 1,916,045	\$ 1,576,214	\$ 1,507,870
Acquisitions	-	304,572	_
Improvements	34,633	42,161	95,185
Impairment charge	_	_	(846)
Dispositions and assets held for sale	 (3,326)	 (6,902)	 (25,995)
Balance, end of year	\$ 1,947,352	\$ 1,916,045	\$ 1,576,214
The changes in accumulated depreciation for the three years ended December 31, 2012 are as follows:	2012	2011	2010
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 512,485	\$ 453,145	\$ 412,530
Depreciation for the period	73,700	66,242	64,543
Impairment charge		_	
Dispositions and assets held for sale	(3,326)	 (6,902)	 (23,928)
Balance, end of year	\$ 582,859	\$ 512,485	\$ 453,145





### DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **Jack Africk**

Chairman Emeritus
Director since May 1993.
Managing Partner, Evolution Partners, LLC

### William G. Benton

Non-Executive Chairman of the Board Director since May 1993. Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, Salem Senior Housing, Inc., Benton Investment Company

### **Bridget Ryan Berman**

Director since January 2009.

Chief Executive Officer, Victoria's Secret Direct, LLC

### Donald G. Drapkin

Director since March 2011. Founder and Chairman of Casablanca Capital LLC

## EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP TEAM

### Steven B. Tanger

President and Chief Executive Officer

### Frank C. Marchisello, Jr.

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

### Thomas E. McDonough

Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

### Chad D. Perry

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

### Carrie A. Geldner

Senior Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer

### Manuel O. Jessup

Senior Vice President of Human Resources

### Lisa J. Morrison

Senior Vice President of Leasing

### Virginia R. Summerell

Senior Vice President, Treasurer and Assistant Secretary

### James F. Williams

Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Controller

### Thomas J. Reddin

Director since July 2010.

Managing Partner and Owner, Red Dog Ventures, LLC

#### Thomas E. Robinson

Director since January 1994. Senior Advisor, Stifel, Nicolaus & Company

### Allan L. Schuman

Director since August 2004.
Chairman of the Board, Schwan Food Company

### Steven B. Tanger

Director since May 1993.

President and Chief Executive Officer,
Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.

### Laura M. Atwell

Vice President of Marketing

### Brian A. Auger

Vice President and Corporate Counsel

### Elizabeth J. Coleman

Vice President of Operations

### Rick L. Farrar

Vice President of Information Technology

### Thomas J. Guerrieri Jr.

Vice President of Financial Reporting

### Cyndi M. Holt

Vice President of Finance and Investor Relations

### Beth G. Lippincott

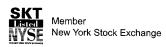
Vice President of Leasing

### Mary Anne Williams

Vice President of Human Resources

### Charles A. Worsham

Vice President of Constuction and Development





# **Tanger**Outlets

### INVESTOR INFORMATION

### EXECUTIVE OFFICES

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### SHARE INFORMATION

New York Stock Exchange: Common Shares – SKT

### SHAREHOLDER ACCOUNTS

Questions regarding shareholder accounts should be directed to the company's registrar and transfer agent:
Computershare Trust Company, NA
P. O. Box 43078
Providence, RI 02940-3078
(781) 575-3170
Internet: www.computershare.com

### DIVIDENDS

Dividends are paid on or around the 15th day of February, May, August and November.

# DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT & SHARE PURCHASE PLAN

The company's Dividend Reinvestment and Share Purchase Plan provides shareholders an opportunity to automatically reinvest quarterly dividends into additional SKT common shares, as well as the opportunity to purchase additional SKT common shares directly. For information describing the Plan, please contact Investor Relations at (336) 834-6892.

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The company's Annual Report on Form 10-K as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, along with our written charter for the individual committees of our Board of Directors, our Corporate Governance Guidelines and our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics are available on our website. For copies of these and other materials, contact Investor Relations at (336) 834-6892.

### CEO/CFO CERTIFICATION

In accordance with NYSE listing standards, our CEO certification required by Section 303A.12(a) of the NYSE Listed Company Manual has been filed with the NYSE. In addition, our CEO and CFO certifications required under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act are filed as exhibits to the Annual Report on Form 10-K.

### INVESTOR INQUIRIES

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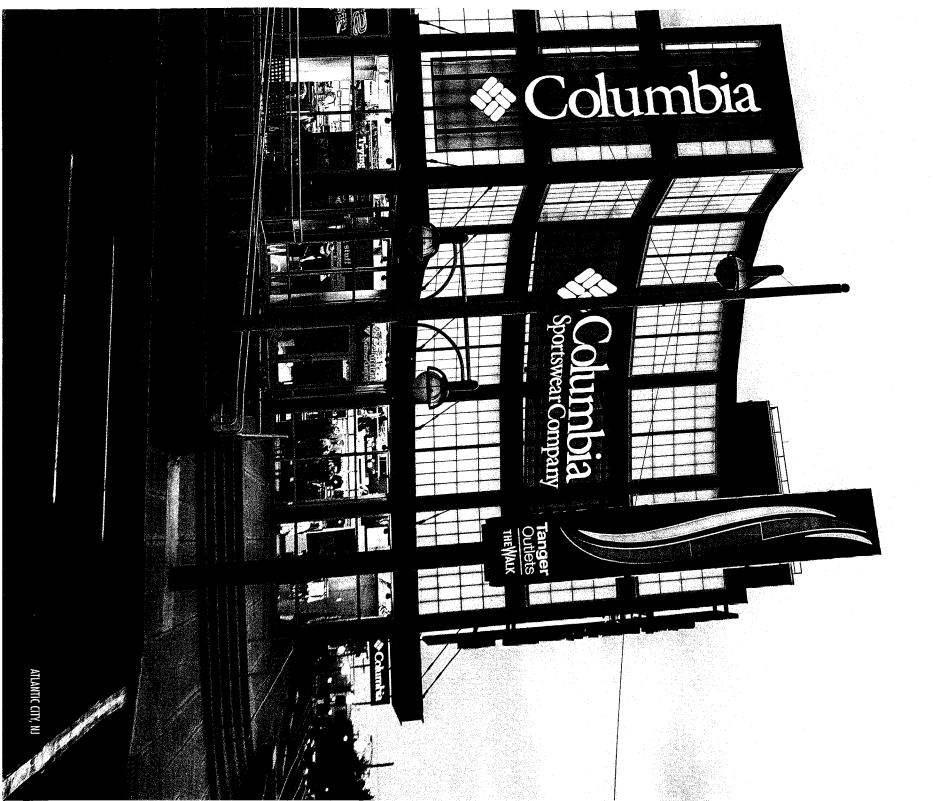
### ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

Shareholders are cordially invited to attend our annual meeting on Friday, May 17, 2013 at 10am at the O. Henry Hotel, 624 Green Valley Road Greensboro, NC 27408.

## INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

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