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### **Topics to be Discussed**

- ◆ FASB Project -- Financial Performance Reporting
- An analyst's use of the current GAAP income statement and the importance that non-GAAP metrics and other information be supported by amounts reported in the GAAP income statement

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- Might important industry metrics be reported in a statement of operating performance – a management approach to reporting
- The importance of input to the FASB from investors and preparers



# Introduction and Context

- Industry non-GAAP metrics, like *net operating income* and *funds from operations* have served the industry well for over 20 years
- The industry has provided investors solid returns over those years using non-GAAP metrics and supplemental information
- Why would the industry like to report industry metrics under GAAP
- The global industry's 2007 consensus for a statement of comprehensive income



An Analyst's Use of the Current GAAP Income Statement and the Importance of Linkage to Audited GAAP Reporting

## What We Focus On

 Addition of Net Property Income line-item further solidifies the view that REITs are proxies for real estate 6

- We are not a collection of leases or financing arrangements
- NPI or NOI is a staple in calculating cap-rates and NAV calculations
- General and Administrative expenses need to be considered

#### Revenues

- Cash vs. Non-cash (straight-line rent and FAS 141)
- Recurring vs. Non-recurring (lease termination fees and credit losses)
- TRS activities (billboards, outparcel sales, etc.)

#### Expenses

- Property operating expenses vs. general and administrative
  - Allocations vary widely by company
  - We compare G/A as a % of Assets 60 bps on average
- Capitalized expenses



### What we would like to see...

- More uniform definition of same-store NOI (SSNOI)
  - Wide-range of definitions
    - Basic description in the financials of the policy; what is in the pool and what is not
    - Treatment of re-developments (compare a center with 120k sf to 100k sf?)
- SSNOI Revenue and Expense line items broken-out separately
  - Best practices to date show each line-items on I/S (Cash and GAAP)
  - Some firms still quote in text a SSNOI number with no tie to audited financial
- Cap-Ex with Same-store NOI
  - How much cap-ex was spent on the properties in each year