

First Industrial Realty Trust Increases Common Stock Dividend

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Company Declares Common and Preferred Stock Dividends

CHICAGO, Dec. 7 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: FR), the nation's largest provider of diversified industrial real estate, today announced that its board of directors declared a dividend of \$0.70 per share of common stock for the quarter ending December 31, 2005, payable on January 23, 2006 to stockholders of record on December 31, 2005. The new dividend rate (\$2.80 annualized) is an increase from the previous dividend rate of \$0.695 (\$2.78 annualized).

Additionally, the board of directors declared a dividend of \$0.53906 per depositary share (\$2.1563 annualized) of its 8.625% Series C Cumulative Preferred Stock (NYSE: FR-PrC) for the quarter ending December 31, 2005, payable on January 2, 2006 to stockholders of record on December 15, 2005.

First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc., the nation's largest provider of diversified industrial real estate, serves every aspect of Corporate America's industrial real estate needs, including customized supply chain solutions, through its unique I-N-D-L operating platform, which utilizes a pure Industrial focus and National scope to provide Diverse facility types, while offering Local, full-service management and expertise. The Company owns, operates and has under development more than 100 million square feet of industrial real estate in markets throughout the United States. Building, buying, selling, leasing and managing industrial property in major markets nationwide, First Industrial develops long-term relationships with corporate real estate directors, tenants and brokers to better serve customers with creative, flexible industrial real estate solutions.

This press release contains forward-looking information about First Industrial. A number of factors could cause First Industrial's actual results to differ materially from those anticipated, including changes in: economic conditions generally and the real estate market specifically, legislative/regulatory changes (including changes to laws governing the taxation of real estate investment trusts), availability of financing, interest rate levels, competition, supply and demand for industrial properties in First Industrial's current and proposed market areas, potential environmental liabilities, slippage in development or lease-up schedules, tenant credit risks, higher-than-expected costs and changes in general accounting principles, policies and guidelines applicable to real estate investment trusts. For further information on these and other factors that could impact First Industrial and the statements contained herein, reference should be made to First Industrial's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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