



First Industrial Realty Trust Reports Tax Treatment of Common Stock and Preferred Stock Distributions

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CHICAGO, Jan. 23, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: FR), a leading owner, operator and developer of industrial real estate, today reported the tax treatment of its 2013 distributions.

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For tax purposes, 100 percent of the Company's 2013 common stock distributions represented ordinary dividends.

Approximately 63 percent of the common stock distributions with a record date of December 31, 2013 that were paid on January 21, 2014 are allocable to 2013 for federal income tax purposes.

For tax purposes, 100 percent of the Company's 2013 preferred stock distributions for its Series J Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock and its Series K Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock represented ordinary dividends. The Company redeemed the outstanding depository shares of both its Series J and its Series K Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock in 2013.

This release is based on the preliminary results of work on the Company's tax filings and may be subject to correction or adjustment when the filings are completed. However, no material change in the information reported is expected. Shareholders should consult with their tax advisors as to their specific tax treatment.

The tables below summarize the income tax treatment of the Company's distributions.

Common

Declaration Date	Record Date	Payable Date	Total Distributions Per Share	Total Distribution Allocable to 2013	2013 Total Ordinary Dividends	2013 Qualified Dividends (1)	2013 Total Capital Gain Distributions	2013 Unrecaptured Section 1250 Gain (2)	2013 Return of Capital (Nondividend Distributions)
2/20/2013	3/28/2013	4/15/2013	\$0.085000	\$0.085000	\$0.085000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
5/9/2013	6/28/2013	7/15/2013	\$0.085000	\$0.085000	\$0.085000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
8/7/2013	9/30/2013	10/21/2013	\$0.085000	\$0.085000	\$0.085000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
11/12/2013	12/31/2013	1/21/2014	\$0.085000	\$0.053837	\$0.053837	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
Total			\$0.340000	\$0.308837	\$0.308837	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
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Preferred Series J Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock

Declaration Date	Record Date	Payable Date	Total Distributions Per Share	Total Distribution Allocable to 2013	2013 Total Ordinary Dividends	2013 Qualified Dividends (1)	2013 Total Capital Gain Distributions	2013 Unrecaptured Section 1250 Gain (2)	2013 Return of Capital (Nondividend Distributions)
2/20/2013	3/15/2013	4/1/2013	\$0.453130	\$0.453130	\$0.453130	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
3/11/2013		4/11/2013	\$0.055382	\$0.055382	\$0.055382	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
Total			\$0.508512	\$0.508512	\$0.508512	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
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Preferred Series K Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock

Declaration Date	Record Date	Payable Date	Total Distributions Per Share	Total Distribution Allocable to 2013	2013 Total Ordinary Dividends	2013 Qualified Dividends (1)	2013 Total Capital Gain Distributions	2013 Unrecaptured Section 1250 Gain (2)	2013 Return of Capital (Nondividend Distributions)
2/20/2013	3/15/2013	4/1/2013	\$0.453130	\$0.453130	\$0.453130	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
5/9/2013	6/14/2013	7/1/2013	\$0.453130	\$0.453130	\$0.453130	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
6/14/2013		7/18/2013	\$0.090625	\$0.090625	\$0.090625	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
Total			\$0.996885	\$0.996885	\$0.996885	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
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(1) Qualified Dividends (Box 1b) are a subset of, and are included in, the Total Ordinary Dividends reported in Box 1a.

(2) Unrecaptured Section 1250 Gain (Box 2b) is a subset of, and is included in, the Total Capital Gain

Distributions reported in Box 2a.

About First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.

First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: FR) is a leading owner, operator, and developer of industrial real estate with a track record of providing industry-leading customer service to multinational corporations and regional customers. Across major markets in the United States, our local market experts manage, lease, buy, (re)develop, and sell bulk and regional distribution centers, light industrial, and other industrial facility types. In total, we own, manage and have under development approximately 66.8 million square feet of industrial space as of September 30, 2013. For more information, please visit us at www.firstindustrial.com

Forward-Looking Information

This press release contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. We intend for such forward-looking statements to be covered by the safe harbor provisions for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and are including this statement for purposes of complying with those safe harbor provisions. Forward-looking statements, which are based on certain assumptions and describe future plans, strategies and expectations of the Company, are generally identifiable by use of the words "believe," "expect," "intend," "plan," "anticipate," "estimate," "project," "seek," "target," "potential," "focus," "may," "should" or similar expressions. Our ability to predict results or the actual effect of future plans or strategies is inherently uncertain. Factors which could have a materially adverse effect on our operations and future prospects include, but are not limited to: changes in national, international, regional and local economic conditions generally and real estate markets specifically; changes in legislation/regulation (including changes to laws governing the taxation of real estate investment trusts) and actions of regulatory authorities; our ability to qualify and maintain our status as a real estate investment trust; the availability and attractiveness of financing (including both public and private capital) to us and to our potential counterparties; the availability and attractiveness of terms of additional debt repurchases; interest rates; our credit agency ratings; our ability to comply with applicable financial covenants; competition; changes in supply and demand for industrial properties (including land, the supply and demand for which is inherently more volatile than other types of industrial property) in the Company's current and proposed market areas; difficulties in consummating acquisitions and dispositions; risks related to our investments in properties through joint ventures; environmental liabilities; slippages in development or lease-up schedules; tenant creditworthiness; higher-than-expected costs; changes in asset valuations and related impairment charges; changes in general accounting principles, policies and guidelines applicable to real estate investment trusts; international business risks; and those additional factors described under the heading "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 and in the Company's subsequent Exchange Act reports. We caution you not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, which reflect our outlook only and speak only as of the date of this press release or the dates indicated in the statements. We assume no obligation to update or supplement forward-looking statements. For further information on these and other factors that could impact the Company and the statements contained herein, reference should be made to the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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