

## **Company Update**



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## **INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS**

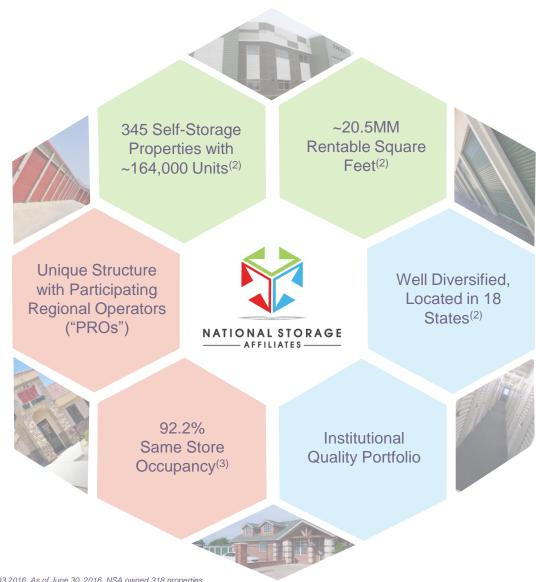


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#### NATIONAL STORAGE AFFILIATES OVERVIEW



- National Storage Affiliates Trust ("NSA") is a publicly traded NYSE selfstorage REIT; ticker symbol "NSA"
- 6th largest operator of self-storage properties in the US<sup>(1)(2)</sup>
- Institutional quality portfolio with properties located in high growth markets in the top 100 MSAs
- Positioned to deliver significant external and organic growth



(1) Per 2016 Self-Storage Almanac based on number of properties.

(2) Property statistics as of August 17, 2016, which includes acquisitions closed during Q3 2016. As of June 30, 2016, NSA owned 318 properties.

(3) Same store occupancy as of three months ended 6/30/2016.

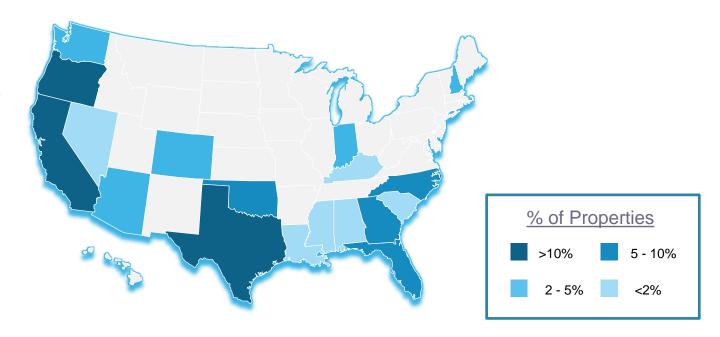
#### NSA'S GUIDING VISION UNITES TOP OPERATORS



NSA's unique strategy has successfully attracted seven of the most prominent operators with the common goal to drive significant organic and external growth

6th Largest U.S. Operator

345 Properties<sup>(1)</sup>



Participating Regional Operators ("PROs")







GUARDIAN STORAGE CENTERS







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#### DEVELOPMENT PATH OF NSA



### **Deeply Rooted Operating History**

# PRO FORMATION AND INSTITUTIONALIZATION

#### 1970 - 2011

- 1973 Move It predecessor founded
- 1977 Northwest and Hide-Away founded
- 1988 SecurCare founded
- 1989 Storage Solutions founded
- 1999 Guardian founded
- 2007 Optivest founded
- 2007 Raised initial institutional capital through SecurCare predecessor

#### **NSA FORMATION AND GROWTH**

#### 2012 - 2016

- 2012 Agreement in principle reached by three founding PROs: SecurCare, Northwest and Optivest
- 2013 NSA formed
- 2014 4th PRO: Guardian
- 2014 5th PRO: Move It
- 2015 6th PRO: Storage Solutions
- 2015 Successful IPO
- 2016 7th PRO: Hide-Away
- 2016 Expanded credit facility to \$675 million
- 2016 Follow-on offering

### NSA'S UNIQUE STRUCTURE CREATES ALIGNMENT WITH OUR PROS



## PROs Are Heavily Invested

- Contribute a large portion of career's work via property equity
- PROs own more than 40% of NSA<sup>(1)</sup>

#### PROs Are Incentivized to Outperform

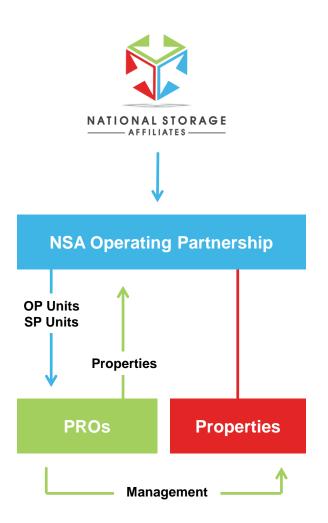
- PROs<sup>(1)</sup> equity value tied to performance of contributed properties
- SP unit holders receive their allocation of operating cash flow on unreturned capital contributions only AFTER paying a priority allocation on unreturned capital attributable to OP unit holders and then share equally in the allocation of any excess with OP unit holders<sup>(2)</sup> (including the REIT)

## Capital for Growth

- NSA has access to lower cost public capital
- Alignment encourages disciplined acquisitions

#### Penalties for Underperformance

- PROs<sup>(1)</sup> equity and cash flow are subordinated
- Poor performance disproportionately affects PROs
- Ability to replace manager



<sup>(1)</sup> The ownership percentage held by PROs post IPO, assuming SP units converting at 1:1 to OP units and includes interests held by the NSA management team as of June 30, 2016.

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## STRUCTURE PROMOTES INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL GROWTH



## **NSA Strategy**

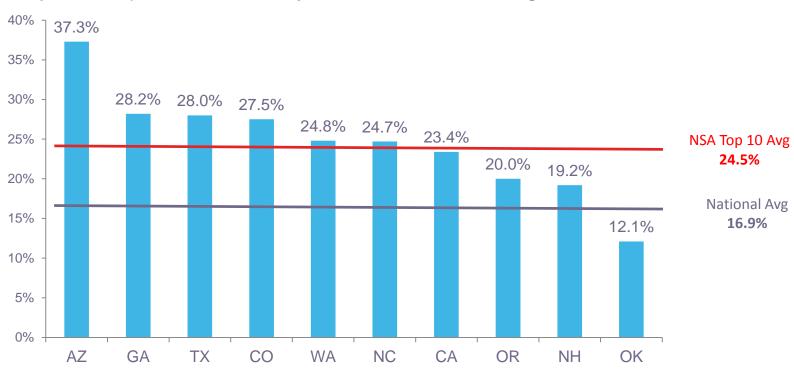
LEVELING THE PLAYING FIELD					
Operational Management	Revenue Management / Analytics				
Economies of Scale and Lower Cost of Capital	Internet Marketing				
GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES					
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GROWTH OPE	PORTUNITIES  Acquisition of Captive Pipeline Properties				

#### FOCUSED IN HIGH GROWTH MARKETS



Our top 10 states are home to 92% of our stores
These states are projected to grow 45% faster than the national average<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

#### Projected Population Growth by State from 2010 Through 2030



<sup>(1)</sup> Rankings and NSA average based on top 10 states by property count as of March 31, 2016. Our top 10 states represent 92% of our store count.

<sup>(2)</sup> Reflects population growth for the period 2010 through 2030, as projected in August 2013 by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service at the University of Virginia.

# NSA STRATEGY DRIVES SIGNIFICANT EXTERNAL GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES



### 1. ACQUIRE CAPTIVE PIPELINE PROPERTIES (PRO MANAGED ASSETS)

- NSA's captive pipeline has almost 100 additional assets located in ten states totaling over \$700MM in asset value<sup>(1)</sup>
- PROs are obligated to offer to contribute the assets they control upon debt maturity or occupancy stabilization
- PROs are committed to using best efforts to facilitate the contribution of assets they manage, but do not control

#### 2. SOURCE OFF-MARKET LOCAL ACQUISITIONS

- Local acquisition teams with long-standing relationships and significant investment in NSA, and existing pipeline of single assets and portfolios
- Proven ability to close deals: over \$400MM of third party acquisitions closed subsequent to IPO
- Focus on institutional quality assets with strong operational performance that are synergistic to existing operations and geography

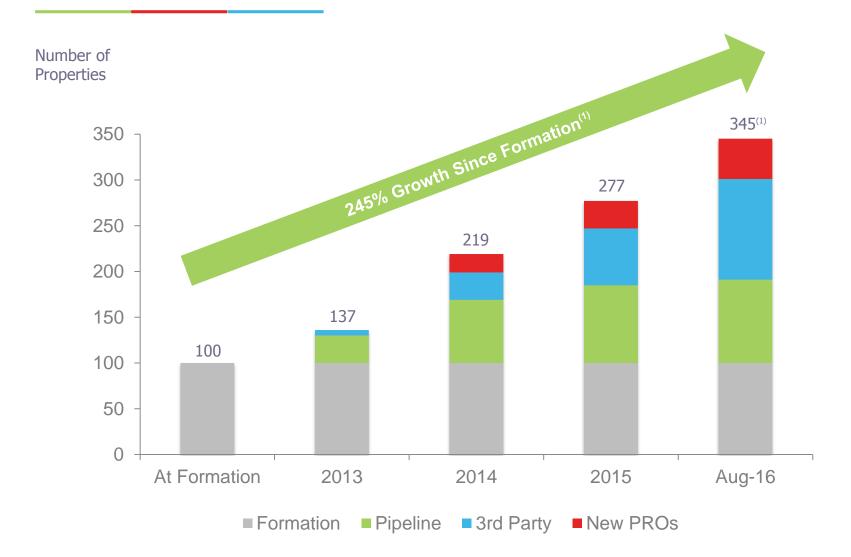
#### 3. RECRUIT NEW PROS

- Pipeline of 10-15 operators, typically with \$100MM+ portfolios and 20+ properties
- Focus on operators with established platforms in Top 100 MSAs, reputation for operational excellence and capabilities to grow their portfolios

(1) There can be no assurance as to whether NSA will acquire any of these properties or the actual timing of any such acquisitions.







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Why successful regional operators are motivated to join NSA instead of opting for an institutional joint venture or a portfolio sale

Criteria	NSA	JV	Sale / Exit
Liquidity / Monetization	<b>*</b>	•	•
Ability to Maintain Property Management	<b>~</b>	•	
Participate in Upside	<b>~</b>	•	
Enhance NOI Through Best Practices	<b>~</b>		
Opportunity and Incentives to Grow Portfolio	~		

#### NSA'S PLATFORM LEVELS THE PLAYING FIELD



#### **NSA CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS**

## **EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP**

- Recruitment of PROs
- Acquisition review and approval

## LEGAL & FINANCE SUPPORT

- Asset contributions and structuring
- Equity and debt capital markets

## CORPORATE ACCOUNTING

- Internal controls, policies and procedures
- Budgeting and forecasting

## CORPORATE MARKETING

- Call center
- Internet platform
- Mobile penetration

## TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION

- Management information systems
- Streamlined operational processes

#### **REGIONAL & LOCAL OPERATIONS**

Acquisition Underwriting & Sourcing

**Property Management** 

Property Level Accounting

Local Branding & Marketing

#### ORGANIC INTERNAL GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES



#### 2015 Same Store Revenue Growth was 7.8% and 2015 NOI Growth was 11.5%

#### 1. OCCUPANCY

- Continue to drive same store occupancy growth
  - Average occupancy in Q2 2016 of 90.9%
  - Year-over-year average occupancy increase for Q2 2016 of 340 bps
- Maximize conversion opportunities from call center
- Additional lead generation from internet marketing platform

#### 3. ASSET OPTIMIZATION

- Expansion of existing facilities
- Redevelopment opportunities
- Configuration of optimal unit mix
- Expand cell tower leasing

#### 2. REVENUE MANAGEMENT

- Experiencing good results and ROI during the portfolio rollout
- Expect to complete rollout by Q1 2017

#### 4. COST SAVINGS

- Driven by Technology and Best Practices Group
- Consolidate vendor relationships
- Bulk purchasing
- Recoverable collection of bad debt by call center





- Widely respected owner / operators of self-storage
- Averages over 30 years of industry experience
- Proven track record of growth
- Strong network of industry relationships
- Meaningful insider ownership aligns interests with shareholders

#### **NSA Executive Team**



ARLEN NORDHAGEN Chairman & CEO



TAMARA FISCHER
CFO



STEVEN TREADWELL SVP, Operations

#### **PRO Executive Leadership**



KEVIN HOWARD

Northwest

PRO



DAVID CRAMER SecurCare PRO



WARREN ALLAN
Optivest
PRO



JOHN MINAR Guardian PRO



TRACY TAYLOR

Move It

PRO



BILL BOHANNAN Storage Solutions PRO



STEVE WILSON Hide-Away PRO



## **Strong Operational Growth Continues**

# 2016 Core FFO guidance is \$1.06 to \$1.08 per share (annual increase of 15% to 17%)







#### **CONSERVATIVE BALANCE SHEET**

- 33% Debt / Total Capitalization<sup>(1)</sup>
- 6.8x Net Debt / Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(2)</sup>
- 4.7x Interest Coverage Ratio<sup>(3)</sup>

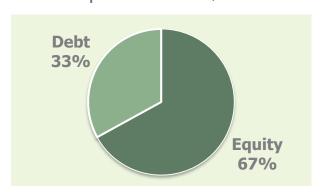
#### CAPITAL FOR GROWTH

- \$675MM Unsecured Credit Facility
- OP Units & SP Units
- Follow-on offering, July 2016

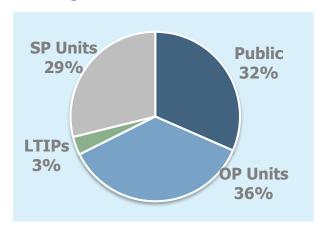
#### ATTRACTIVE DIVIDEND

- 4.2% Yield<sup>(4)</sup>

## Total Capitalization: \$2.3 BN<sup>(1)</sup>



Significant Investment by Management & PROs<sup>(1)</sup>



<sup>(1)</sup> Calculations based on equity interest disclosed as of June 30, 2016 with SP Units included converted on a hypothetical basis into an estimated 1.39 OP units based on historical financial information for the trailing twelve months ended June 30, 2016, and the \$20.82 closing price on June 30, 2016.

<sup>(2)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA is based on annualized current quarter for Q2 2016.

<sup>(3)</sup> Interest coverage is computed by dividing Q2 2016 Adjusted EBITDA by Q2 2016 Interest Expense. Does not include loss on early extinguishment of debt.

<sup>(4)</sup> Yield calculation is based on current \$0.22 per share dividend annualized and divided by \$20.82 closing price on June 30, 2016.

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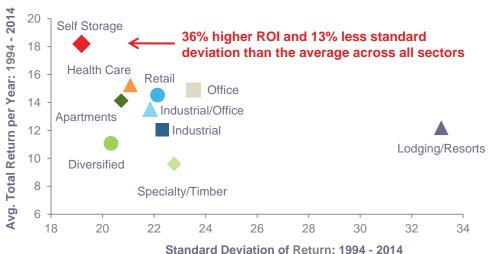
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# SELF STORAGE HAS OUTPERFORMED OVER LAST 20 YEARS ON TOTAL RETURN WITH LESS VOLATILITY

- Since 1994, total returns for self storage have outperformed all other equity REIT sectors while experiencing the least volatility
  - The industry is expected to continue to generate substantial NOI growth
  - Savings expected through improved scale, new technology and centralized infrastructure



#### FIVE FORCES DRIVING SELF STORAGE

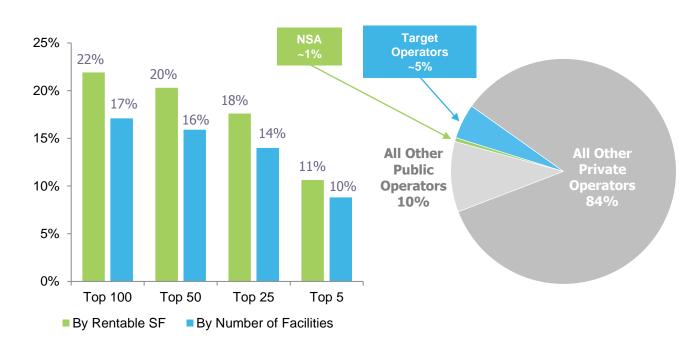
#### **IMPACT**

Competitive Rivalry	Low – geographically limited
Customer Bargaining Power	Limited – not price driven
Threat of Substitute Products	Very few cost effective options
Supplier Bargaining Power	Limited - but increasing
Threat of New Entrants	Limited – increasing entry barriers

#### MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITY TO CONSOLIDATE



- Highly fragmented sector
  - More than 50,000 self-storage properties with over 30,000 operators
  - Over \$24 billion in annual revenue with over \$200 billion in private market value
- NSA primarily targets top private operators with 20 or more institutional quality properties in the top 100 MSAs
  - Target operators own and / or manage over 2,500 self-storage properties<sup>(1)</sup>



Source: Public company filings as of December 31, 2014, Self Storage Association and 2016 Self-Storage Almanac. Note: Rankings are based on net rentable square footage under management.

Represents the number of facilities owned and/or managed by top operators, excluding NSA and other publicly traded entities.

#### **Top 40 Operators**

- 1 Public Storage
- 2 Extra Space Storage
- 3 U-Haul International
- 4 CubeSmart
- 5 Sovran Self Storage

6 National Storage Affiliates

- 7 Simply Self Storage
- 8 W.P. Carey
- 9 StorageMart
- 10 The William Warren Group
- 11 Metro Storage
- 12 iStorage
- 13 US Storage Centers
- 14 TnT Self Storage Management
- 15 Absolute Storage Management
- 16 The Jenkins Organization
- 17 All Storage
- 18 Move It Management
- 19 Compass Self Storage
- 20 Safeguard Self Storage
- 21 A-AAAKey Mini Storage
- 22 Devon Self Storage
- 23 Platinum Storage Group
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- 29 Self Storage Management
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- 31 Universal Storage Group
- 32 Strat Property Management
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- 37 Storage Etc.
- 38 Argus Professional Storage Management
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- 40 West Coast Self-Storage

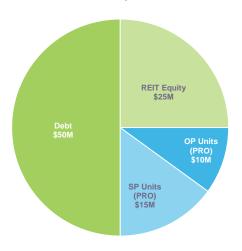
#### STRUCTURE INCENTIVIZES PROS TO PERFORM



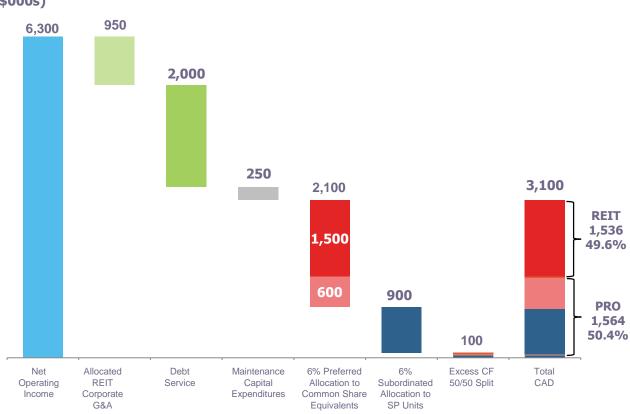


- \$100MM Purchase Price
- 6.3% Cap Rate
- 50% Funded with Debt
- 50% of Equity from PRO

### Illustrative Capitalization



# Illustrative Operating Cash Flow Allocation for Single Acquisition (\$000s)



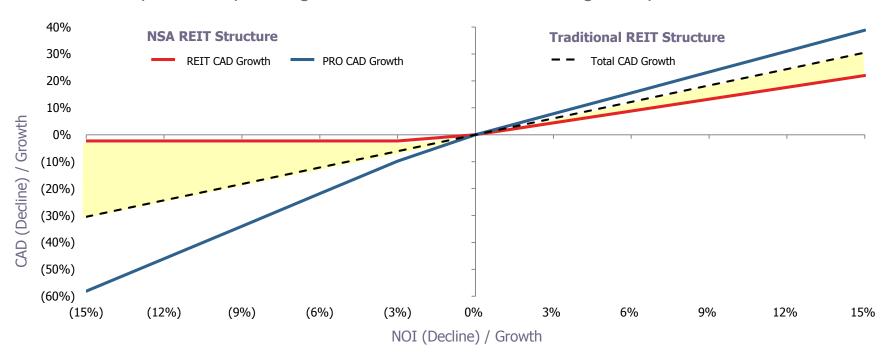
Note: Proportion of SP units and OP units in each acquisition will vary. In general, the number of OP units issued will be capped at a level intended to provide a minimal level of operating cash flow ("CF") allocation on unreturned capital attributable to the OP units. Debt Service is reflective of interest expense and scheduled principal amortization. Post-contribution capital structure is reflective of cost and does not reflect market value. This hypothetical capital structure and cash flow allocation is for illustrative purposes only and reflects the terms of the partnership agreement: SP unit holders receive a 6% allocation of preating CF on their unreturned capital contributions after a 6% allocation on unreturned capital attributable to OP unit holders, and then share in the allocation of any excess cash flow 50/50 with OP unit holders. The REIT is allocated \$36K of the operating CF allocated to OP units related to the 50/50 split of excess operating CF. The allocation of operating CF between the SP units and OP units is for purposes of determining distributions on SP units and does not represent the operating CF that will be distributed on OP units (or paid as dividends on our common shares). Any distribution of operating CF allocated to OP units will be made at the discretion of NSA (and paid as dividends on our common shares at the discretion of our board of trustees).

# STRUCTURE OFFERS CASH FLOW STABILITY AND DOWNSIDE PROTECTION



#### Shareholders benefit from less volatile cash flow and downside protection

#### Illustrative Impact on Operating Cash Flow Allocation for Single Acquisition<sup>(1)</sup>



Note: PRO CAD Growth is comprised of cash available to PROs through their ownership interests in both OP and SP units. REIT CAD Growth is comprised of cash available to all other equity stakeholders.

<sup>(1)</sup> This illustrative sensitivity graph reflects the capital structure of a single acquisition and operating CF allocation assumptions reflected on page 25. This hypothetical capital structure and cash flow allocation is for illustrative purposes only and reflects the terms of the partnership agreement: SP unit holders receive a 6% allocation of operating CF on their unreturned capital contributions after a 6% allocation on unreturned capital attributable to OP unit holders, and then share in the allocation of any excess cash flow 50/50 with OP unit holders. This allocation of operating CF between the SP units and OP units is for purposes of determining distributions on SP units and does not represent the operating CF that will be distributed on OP units (or paid as dividends on our common shares). Any distribution of operating CF allocated to OP units will be made at the discretion of NSA (and paid as dividends on our common shares at the discretion of our board of trustees).

### POST-IPO EXTERNAL GROWTH



# ACQUIRED 99 PROPERTIES VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$636.5 MM SINCE IPO POST-IPO ACQUISITIONS HAVE FOCUSED ON TOP 100 MSAS

- 21 properties were sourced from our captive pipeline
- 64 properties were 3rd party acquisitions
- 14 properties were acquired from our new PRO, Hide-Away

	In Place Portfolio at IPO		Post IPO Ad	<b>Post IPO Acquisitions</b>		Portfolio August 2016	
	Stores	%	Stores	%	Stores	%	
Oregon <sup>(1)</sup>	50	20%	3	3%	53	15%	
Texas	46	19%	5	5%	51	15%	
California	28	11%	43	43%	71	21%	
North Carolina	27	11%	3	3%	30	9%	
Oklahoma	26	11%	3	3%	29	8%	
Georgia	16	7%	4	4%	20	6%	
Arizona	13	5%	2	2%	15	4%	
Washington	13	5%	1	1%	14	4%	
Colorado	8	3%	1	1%	9	3%	
New Hampshire	3	1%	6	6%	9	3%	
Louisiana	5	2%	5	5%	10	3%	
Florida	2	1%	14	14%	16	5%	
Other	9	4%	9	9%	18	5%	
Total	246		99		345		

(1) In 2016, NSA consolidated two Oregon self storage properties into one single self storage property.

# EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE – DILUTED TO FUNDS FROM OPERATIONS ("FFO") AND CORE FFO PER SHARE AND UNIT RECONCILIATION



	Three Months Ended June 30,			
·	201	6	2015	
Earnings (loss) per share - diluted	\$	0.08	\$	-
Impact of the difference in weighted average number of shares <sup>(1)</sup>		0.04		-
Add real estate depreciation and amortization		0.25		0.26
FFO attributable to subordinated performance unitholders		(0.12)		(80.0)
FFO per share and unit	\$	0.25	\$	0.18
Add acquisition costs, organizational and offering expenses, and loss on early extinguishment of debt		0.03		0.22
Core FFO per share and unit	\$	0.28	\$	0.22

Source: Q2 2016 Company financials.

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjustment accounts for the difference between the weighted average number of shares used to calculate diluted earnings per share and the weighted average number of shares used to calculate FFO and Core FFO per share and unit. Diluted earnings per share is calculated using the two-class method for the Company's restricted common shares, the treasury stock method for certain unvested LTIP units, and includes the assumption of a hypothetical conversion of subordinated performance units and DownREIT subordinated performance units into OP units (i) after a lock-out period and (ii) upon certain events or conditions. For additional information around the conversion of subordinated performance units and DownREIT subordinated performance units into OP units, see Note 8 in Item 1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2016. The computation of weighted average shares and units for FFO and Core FFO per share and unit includes all restricted common shares and LTIP units that participate in distributions and excludes all subordinated performance units and DownREIT subordinated performance units because their effect has been accounted for through the allocation of FFO to the related unitholders based on distributions declared.





	Three Months Ended June 30,			
	20	)16	20	15
Net income (loss)	\$	6,045	\$	93
General and administrative expenses		4,837		4,187
Depreciation and amortization		13,088		9,974
Interest expense		5,844		4,824
Loss on early extinguishment of debt		136		914
Acquisition costs		1,708		719
Non-operating expense		169		113
Net Operating Income	\$	31,827	\$	20,824

Source: Q2 2016 Company financials.





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EBITDA	\$	25,113	\$	15,805
Acquisition costs		1,708		719
Equity-based compensation expense <sup>(1)</sup>		630		1,083
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	27,451	\$	17,607

Source: Q2 2016 Company financials.

<sup>(1)</sup> Equity-based compensation expense is a non-cash item that is included in general and administrative expenses in our consolidated statements of operations.



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