

## COPT Repurchases \$162.5 Million of 3.5% Exchangeable Senior Notes Due 2026

COLUMBIA, Md.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Corporate Office Properties Trust (COPT) (NYSE: OFC), a specialty office real estate investment trust (REIT) that focuses primarily on serving the specialized requirements of U.S. Government and Defense Information Technology tenants, announced that on September 16, 2011, its operating partnership, Corporate Office Properties, L.P. (the "Operating Partnership"), completed its offer to repurchase up to \$162.5 million aggregate principal amount of the 3.50% Exchangeable Senior Notes due 2026 (CUSIP No. 22003BAA4) (the "Notes") of the Operating Partnership. One hundred percent of the holders surrendered their Notes for purchase by the Operating Partnership pursuant to their option (the "Put Option") under the Indenture governing the Notes, dated as of September 18, 2006. The Put Option entitled each holder of the Notes to require the Operating Partnership to purchase all or any part of such holder's Notes at a purchase price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes, plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon up to, but not including, the date of repurchase.

## **Company Information**

Corporate Office Properties Trust (COPT) (NYSE: OFC) is a specialty office real estate investment trust (REIT) that focuses primarily on strategic customer relationships and specialized tenant requirements in the U.S. Government and Defense Information Technology sectors and Data Centers serving such sectors. The Company acquires, develops, manages and leases office and data center properties that are typically concentrated in large office parks primarily located adjacent to government demand drivers and/or in strong markets that we believe possess growth opportunities. As of June 30, 2011, the Company owned 269 office properties totaling 21.4 million rentable square feet, which includes 20 properties totaling 1.1 million square feet held through joint ventures. The Company's portfolio primarily consists of technically sophisticated buildings in visually appealing settings that are environmentally sensitive, sustainable and meet unique customer requirements. COPT is an S&P MidCap 400 company and more information can be found at <a href="https://www.copt.com">www.copt.com</a>.

## **Forward-Looking Information**

This press release may contain "forward-looking" statements, as defined in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, that are based on the Company's current expectations, estimates and projections about future events and financial trends affecting the Company. Forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of words such as "may," "will," "should," "could," "believe," "anticipate," "expect," "estimate," "plan" or other comparable terminology. Forward-looking statements are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties, many of which the Company cannot predict with accuracy and some of which the Company might not even anticipate. Accordingly, the Company can give no assurance that these expectations, estimates and projections will be achieved. Future events and actual results may differ materially from those discussed in the

forward-looking statements.

Important factors that may affect these expectations, estimates, and projections include, but are not limited to:

- general economic and business conditions, which will, among other things, affect office property demand and rents, tenant creditworthiness, interest rates and financing availability;
- adverse changes in the real estate markets including, among other things, increased competition with other companies;
- the Company's ability to borrow on favorable terms;
- risks of real estate acquisition and development activities, including, among other things, risks that development projects may not be completed on schedule, that tenants may not take occupancy or pay rent or that development or operating costs may be greater than anticipated;
- risks of investing through joint venture structures, including risks that the Company's joint venture partners may not fulfill their financial obligations as investors or may take actions that are inconsistent with the Company's objectives;
- changes in our plans or views of market economic conditions or failure to obtain development rights, either of which could result in recognition of impairment losses;
- our ability to satisfy and operate effectively under Federal income tax rules relating to real estate investment trusts and partnerships;
- governmental actions and initiatives, including risks associated with the impact of a government shutdown such as a reduction in rental revenues or non-renewal of leases;
- the dilutive effect of issuing additional common shares; and
- environmental requirements.

The Company undertakes no obligation to update or supplement any forward-looking statements. For further information, please refer to the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, particularly the section entitled "Risk Factors" in Item 1A of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

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