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SUBJECT TO COMPLETION

PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT DATED MARCH 13, 2017

PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(To Prospectus dated March 13, 2017)

DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP

\$

4.500% Senior Notes due 2023

fully and unconditionally guaranteed by

DCT Industrial Trust Inc.

DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP is offering \$ _____ aggregate principal amount of 4.500% Senior Notes due 2023, or the notes. The notes will form a part of the same series as our outstanding 4.500% Senior Notes due 2023. Upon completion of this offering, the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding notes of this series will be \$ _____ million. The notes will mature on October 15, 2023, unless redeemed at our option prior to such date. The notes will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed by DCT Industrial Trust Inc., our sole general partner, which has no material assets other than its investment in us.

Interest on the notes will be paid semi-annually in arrears on April 15 and October 15 of each year, beginning on April 15, 2017.

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We may redeem the notes at our option and in our sole discretion, at any time or from time to time prior to maturity, in whole or in part, for cash at the applicable redemption price described in this prospectus supplement in the section entitled "Description of Notes - Redemption of the Notes at the Option of the Operating Partnership."

The notes will be our direct, senior unsecured obligations and will rank equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness from time to time outstanding. The notes will be effectively subordinated in right of payment to our existing and future secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness.

The notes will be issued only in fully registered, book-entry form, in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof, except under the limited circumstances described below under "Description of Notes - Book-Entry, Delivery and Form."

There is no public market for the notes and we currently have no intention to apply to list the notes on any securities exchange or automated dealer quotation system. The underwriters may make a market in the notes after the completion of this offering, but will not be obligated to make a market in the notes and may discontinue such market making at any time at their sole discretion. No assurance can be given as to the liquidity of the trading market for the notes or that an active public market for the notes will develop. If an active public trading market for the notes does not develop, the market price and liquidity of the notes may be adversely affected.

Investing in the notes involves risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page S-5 of this prospectus supplement, page 4 of the accompanying prospectus and on page 9 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016.

	Per Note ⁽¹⁾	Total
Public offering price ⁽¹⁾	%	\$
Underwriting discount	%	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to us ⁽¹⁾	%	\$

⁽¹⁾ Plus accrued and unpaid interest from and including October 15, 2016 to, but excluding, the delivery date, in the amount of \$ (assuming a delivery date of , 2017).

We expect delivery of the notes will be made to investors in book-entry form through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company and its participants on or about , 2017.

Neither the United States Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Joint-Book Running Managers

J.P. Morgan

Citigroup

Wells Fargo Securities

The date of this prospectus supplement is March

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No person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any free writing prospectus prepared by us or incorporated by reference herein or therein and, if given or made, such information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorized. This prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and any free writing

prospectus prepared by us do not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities other than the securities described in this prospectus supplement or an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy such securities in any circumstances in which such offer or solicitation is unlawful. Neither the delivery of this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any free writing prospectus prepared by us nor any sale made hereunder or thereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that the information contained herein or therein is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of such information.

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Unless the context otherwise requires, or unless otherwise specified, all references in this prospectus supplement to the terms we, us, our and our company refer to DCT Industrial Trust Inc., together with its subsidiaries, including DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP, which we refer to as the Operating Partnership. When we use the term DCT, we are referring to DCT Industrial Trust Inc. by itself, and not including any of its subsidiaries, and when we use the term the Operating Partnership, we are referring to DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP, by itself and not including any of its subsidiaries. When we say you without any further specification, we mean any person to whom this prospectus supplement is delivered.

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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT SUMMARY

*This summary only highlights the more detailed information appearing elsewhere, or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. It may not contain all of the information that is important to you. You should carefully read this prospectus supplement along with the accompanying prospectus. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus form one single document and both contain information you should consider when making your investment decision. This prospectus supplement, or the information incorporated by reference herein, may add, update or change information in the accompanying prospectus. If the information contained in this prospectus supplement is inconsistent with the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on this prospectus supplement. You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information that is different. The information in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus may only be accurate as of their respective dates. See *Where You Can Find More Information* in the accompanying prospectus.*

Our Company

We are a leading industrial real estate company specializing in the ownership, acquisition, development, leasing and management of bulk-distribution and light-industrial properties located in high-demand distribution markets in the United States. Our actively managed portfolio is strategically located near population centers and well-positioned to take advantage of market dynamics. DCT was formed as a Maryland corporation in April 2002 and has elected to be treated as a real estate investment trust, or REIT, for U.S. federal income tax purposes. We are structured as an umbrella partnership REIT, or UPREIT, under which substantially all of our current and future business is, and will be, conducted through a majority owned and controlled subsidiary, DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP, or the Operating Partnership, a Delaware limited partnership, for which DCT is the sole general partner. DCT owns properties through the Operating Partnership and its subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2016, DCT owned approximately 96.3% of the outstanding equity interests in the Operating Partnership.

As of December 31, 2016, we owned interests in approximately 74.0 million square feet of properties leased to approximately 900 customers, including:

64.7 million square feet comprising 401 consolidated operating properties that were 97.2% occupied;

7.8 million square feet comprising 23 unconsolidated properties that were 97.8% occupied and which we operated on behalf of two institutional capital management partners and an unconsolidated joint venture;

0.3 million square feet comprising three consolidated properties under redevelopment; and

1.2 million square feet comprising four consolidated properties which are shell-complete and in lease-up. In addition, we have 10 projects under construction and several projects in pre-development.

Our principal executive office is located at 555 17th Street, Suite 3700, Denver, Colorado 80202; our telephone number is (303) 597-2400. We also maintain regional offices in Atlanta, Georgia; Chicago, Illinois and Newport

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Beach, California and market offices in Baltimore, Maryland; Cincinnati, Ohio; Dallas, Texas; Houston, Texas; Paramus, New Jersey; Emeryville, California; Orlando, Florida; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Seattle, Washington. Our website address is www.dctindustrial.com. The information included or referenced to on, or otherwise accessible through, our website is not intended to form a part of or be incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement.

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*The following summary of the offering is provided solely for your convenience. This summary is not intended to be complete. You should read the full text and more specific details contained elsewhere in this prospectus supplement under the heading *Description of Notes* and in the accompanying prospectus under the heading *Description of Debt Securities*. As used in this section and *Description of Notes*, references to *we*, *us*, *our* and similar terms refer to DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP and not to DCT Industrial Trust Inc. or any of its subsidiaries.*

Issuer	DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP
Securities offered	\$ aggregate principal amount of 4.500% Senior Notes due 2023.
Interest	The notes will bear interest at a rate of 4.500% per year.
Maturity	The notes will mature on October 15, 2023, unless previously redeemed by the Operating Partnership at its option prior to such date.
Interest payment dates	April 15 and October 15 of each year, beginning on April 15, 2017.
Part of Existing Series	The notes issued hereby will form a part of the same series as all of our outstanding 4.500% Senior Notes due 2023. Upon completion of this offering, the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding notes of this series will be \$ million.
Ranking	The notes will be the Operating Partnership's senior unsecured obligations and will rank equally in right of payment with the Operating Partnership's existing and future senior indebtedness. The notes, however, will be effectively subordinated to all of the Operating Partnership's existing and future secured indebtedness (to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness). The notes will also be effectively subordinated in right of payment to all existing and future liabilities and other indebtedness, whether secured or unsecured, of the Operating Partnership's subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2016, the Operating Partnership had approximately \$200.2 million of secured indebtedness and \$1.4 billion of senior unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness outstanding on a consolidated basis. Of such indebtedness, all of the secured indebtedness is attributable to the Operating Partnership's subsidiaries and none of the senior unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness is attributable to the Operating Partnership's subsidiaries.

Guarantee

The notes will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed by DCT. The guarantee will be a senior unsecured obligation of DCT and will rank equally in right of payment with other senior unsecured obligations of DCT from time to time outstanding. DCT has no material assets other than its investment in us.

We will cause any consolidated subsidiary (including any future subsidiary) that guarantees our indebtedness for money borrowed in

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an amount greater than \$5.0 million at any time after the issuance of the notes to also guarantee the notes. A subsidiary guarantor will be automatically released from its guarantee if, among other things, it ceases to guarantee our indebtedness for money borrowed in an amount greater than \$5.0 million.

Optional redemption

The Operating Partnership may redeem the notes at our option and in the Operating Partnership's sole discretion, at any time in whole or from time to time in part, at the applicable redemption price specified herein. If the notes are redeemed on or after 90 days prior to the maturity date, the redemption price will be equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes being redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but not including, the redemption date. See Description of Notes Redemption of the Notes at the Option of the Operating Partnership in this prospectus supplement.

Certain covenants

The indenture governing the notes will contain certain covenants that, among other things, limit the Operating Partnership and its subsidiaries ability to:

consummate a merger, consolidate or sell of all or substantially all of our consolidated assets; and

incur secured and unsecured indebtedness.

In addition, the Operating Partnership's and its subsidiaries will be required to maintain at all times total unencumbered assets of not less than 150% of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Operating Partnership's unsecured debt.

These covenants are subject to a number of important exceptions and qualifications. See Description of Notes in this prospectus supplement.

Use of proceeds

The Operating Partnership estimates that the net proceeds of this offering will be approximately \$ million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated expenses. The Operating Partnership intends to use the net proceeds of this offering to repay amounts outstanding under its unsecured revolving credit facility and for general corporate purposes. See Use of Proceeds in this prospectus supplement.

Additional notes

The Operating Partnership may from time to time, without notice to or consent of existing noteholders, create and issue additional notes having the same terms and conditions as the notes offered by this prospectus supplement in all respects, except for the issue date and, under certain circumstances, the issue price, interest accrued prior to the issue date and first payment of interest thereon. Additional notes issued in this manner will be consolidated with and will form a single series with the previously outstanding notes, provided, however, that such additional notes may not be fungible with the previously outstanding notes for U.S. federal income tax purposes, in which case

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the additional notes would have a different CUSIP number than the notes offered hereby.

Trading

There is no established trading market for the notes. The Operating Partnership does not intend to apply for listing of the notes on any securities exchange or for the quotation of the notes on any automated dealer quotation system. The underwriters have advised us that they intend to make a market in the notes, but may discontinue such market making at any time at their without notice.

Book-entry form

The notes will be issued in the form of one or more fully-registered global notes in book-entry form, which will be deposited with, or on behalf of, The Depository Trust Company, commonly known as DTC, in New York, New York. Beneficial interests in the global certificate representing the notes will be shown on, and transfers will be effected only through, records maintained by DTC and its direct and indirect participants and such interests may not be exchanged for certificated notes, except in limited circumstances.

Risk factors

See **Risk Factors** on page S-5 of this prospectus supplement, as well as other information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus, for a discussion of factors you should carefully consider that are relevant to an investment in the notes.

Trustee and paying agent

U.S. Bank National Association will be the trustee, registrar and paying agent under the indenture relating to the notes

Governing law

The indenture, the notes and the guarantee of the notes will be governed by the laws of the State of New York.

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RISK FACTORS

In addition to other information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, you should carefully consider the risks described below and in the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, including (i) DCT's and the Operating Partnership's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016, and (ii) documents filed by DCT and the Operating Partnership with the SEC after the date of this prospectus supplement and which are deemed incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, before making an investment decision. These risks are not the only ones facing our company. Additional risks not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also impair our business operations. Our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected by the materialization of any of these risks. The trading price of our common stock could decline due to the materialization of any of these risks, and you may lose all or part of your investment.

Risks related to the notes and this offering

Our indebtedness could adversely affect our financial condition and ability to fulfill our obligations under the notes and otherwise adversely impact our business and growth prospects.

At December 31, 2016, our total consolidated indebtedness was approximately \$1.6 billion, consisting of approximately \$1.0 billion of senior unsecured notes; \$350.0 million of term loans; \$200.2 million of mortgage notes; and \$75.0 million outstanding under our unsecured revolving credit facility (excluding loan costs). In addition, at December 31, 2016, our unsecured revolving credit facility had total undrawn availability of \$323.1 million, net of two letters of credit totaling \$1.9 million. Our total consolidated indebtedness does not include our proportionate share of the indebtedness of our unconsolidated joint ventures, which was \$35.2 million at December 31, 2016.

Our substantial indebtedness and the limitations imposed on us by our debt agreements could have significant adverse consequences to holders of the notes, including the following:

our cash flow may be insufficient to meet our required principal and interest payments with respect to the notes and our other indebtedness;

we could be more vulnerable to adverse economic and industry conditions and limited in our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industry in which we operate;

we may be unable to borrow additional funds as needed or on favorable terms;

we may be unable to refinance our indebtedness at maturity or the refinancing terms may be less favorable than the terms of our original indebtedness;

because a portion of our debt bears interest at variable rates, increases in interest rates could increase our interest expense;

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we may be forced to dispose of one or more of our properties, possibly on disadvantageous terms, in order to meet our debt obligations;

in the event of a decline in the value of our assets, our ability to fully satisfy our obligations under the notes may be reduced;

if we violate restrictive covenants in the agreements governing our indebtedness, the lenders may be entitled to accelerate our debt obligations; and

as a result of cross default provisions contained in the terms of our senior unsecured notes and unsecured revolving credit facility, our default under indebtedness representing a small percentage of our total consolidated indebtedness would result in defaults under all of our senior unsecured notes and our unsecured revolving credit facility.

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In addition, our senior unsecured notes and our unsecured revolving credit facility require us to maintain specified financial ratios and comply with several restrictive covenants. All of these restrictions may limit our ability to execute our business strategy. Moreover, if operating results fall below current levels, we may be unable to maintain these ratios or comply with the covenants. If that occurs, our lenders could accelerate our indebtedness, in which case we may not be able to repay all of our indebtedness, and your notes may not be repaid fully, or at all.

The notes and the guarantee are effectively subordinated to our existing secured debt and any secured debt we may incur in the future.

The notes are not secured by any of our assets. As a result, the notes and the guarantee are effectively subordinated to our existing secured debt and any secured debt we may incur in the future to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness. In any liquidation, dissolution, bankruptcy or other similar proceeding, holders of our secured debt may assert rights against any assets securing such debt in order to receive full payment of their debt before those assets may be used to pay the holders of the notes and the guarantee. As of December 31, 2016, we had approximately \$200.2 million of secured consolidated debt outstanding and we will be permitted to incur significant additional secured debt under the terms of the indenture governing the notes and the guarantee.

The notes and the guarantee are structurally subordinated in right of payment to all liabilities of the Operating Partnership's existing and future subsidiaries, and the remaining assets of such subsidiaries may not be sufficient to make any payments on the notes.

The notes and the guarantee are structurally subordinated to all liabilities of the Operating Partnership's current subsidiaries and will be structurally subordinated to all liabilities of any future subsidiaries. As a result of being subordinated to the liabilities of a subsidiary, if there was a dissolution, bankruptcy, liquidation or reorganization of such subsidiary, the holders of the notes and the guarantee would not receive any amounts with respect to the notes until after the payment in full of the claims of creditors of such subsidiary.

We may not be able to generate sufficient cash flow to meet our debt service obligations.

Our ability to make payments on and to refinance our indebtedness, including the notes, and to fund our operations, working capital and capital expenditures, depends on our ability to generate cash in the future. To a certain extent, our cash flow is subject to general economic, industry, financial, competitive, operating, legislative, regulatory and other factors, many of which are beyond our control.

We cannot assure you that our business will generate sufficient cash flow from operations or that future sources of cash will be available to us in an amount sufficient to enable us to pay amounts due on our indebtedness, including the notes, or to fund our other liquidity needs. Additionally, if we incur additional indebtedness in connection with future acquisitions or development projects or for any other purpose, our debt service obligations could increase.

We may need or otherwise seek to refinance all or a portion of our indebtedness, including the notes, on or before maturity. Our ability to refinance our indebtedness or obtain additional financing will depend on, among other things:

our financial condition and market conditions at the time; and

restrictions in the agreements governing our indebtedness.

As a result, we may not be able to refinance any of our indebtedness, including the notes, on commercially reasonable terms, or at all. If we do not generate sufficient cash flow from operations, and additional borrowings or refinancings or proceeds of asset sales or other sources of cash are not available to us, we may not have

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sufficient cash to enable us to meet all of our obligations, including payments on the notes. Accordingly, if we cannot service our indebtedness, we may have to take actions such as seeking additional equity, delaying development or acquisition activities or capital expenditures or disposing of properties or other assets, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our operations. We cannot assure you that we will be able to effect any of these actions on commercially reasonable terms, or at all.

Despite our substantial indebtedness, we may still incur significantly more debt, which could exacerbate any or all of the risks related to our indebtedness, including our ability to pay the principal of or interest on the notes.

Although the agreements governing our existing indebtedness limit, and the indenture governing the notes will limit, our ability to incur additional indebtedness, these restrictions are subject to a number of qualifications and exceptions and, under certain circumstances, debt incurred in compliance with these restrictions could be substantial. In addition, the indenture governing the notes will not prevent us from incurring obligations that do not constitute indebtedness. To the extent that we incur additional indebtedness or other such obligations, the risks associated with our substantial indebtedness described above, including our possible inability to service our debt obligations, would increase.

A downgrade in our credit ratings could materially adversely affect the trading price of the notes and our business and financial condition.

Any downgrades in terms of ratings or outlook by any rating agency could have a material adverse impact on the trading price of the notes and on our cost and availability of capital, which could in turn have a material adverse impact on our financial condition, results of operations and liquidity.

The indenture governing the notes will contain and our unsecured revolving credit facility and senior unsecured notes contain restrictive covenants that limit our operating flexibility and could adversely affect our financial condition.

The indenture governing the notes will contain financial and operating covenants that, among other things, restrict our ability to take specific actions, even if we believe them to be in our best interest, including restrictions on our ability to:

consummate a merger, consolidate or sell of all or substantially all of our assets; and

incur additional secured and unsecured indebtedness.

In addition, our senior unsecured notes and our unsecured revolving credit facility require us to maintain specified financial ratios and comply with several restrictive covenants. All of these restrictions may limit our ability to execute our business strategy. Moreover, if operating results fall below current levels, we may be unable to maintain these ratios or comply with the covenants. If that occurs, our lenders could accelerate our indebtedness, in which case we may not be able to repay all of our indebtedness, and your notes may not be repaid fully, or at all.

There is currently no trading market for the notes, and an active public trading market for the notes may not develop or, if it develops, may not be maintained. The failure of an active liquid trading market for the notes to develop or be maintained is likely to adversely affect the market price and liquidity of the notes.

There is currently no existing trading market for the notes. We do not intend to apply for listing of the notes on any securities exchange or for quotation of the notes on any automated dealer quotation system. The underwriters have advised us that they intend to make a market in the notes. However, the underwriters may discontinue any market-making at any time without notice. Accordingly, an active trading market may not develop for the notes and, even if one develops, may not be maintained. If an active trading market for the notes

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does not develop or is not maintained, the market price and liquidity of the notes is likely to be adversely affected, and holders may not be able to sell their notes at desired times and prices or at all. If any of the notes are traded after their purchase, they may trade at a discount from their purchase price.

The liquidity of the trading market, if any, and future trading prices of the notes will depend on many factors, including, among other things, prevailing interest rates and our financial condition, results of operations, business, prospects and credit quality and those of other comparable companies, the market for similar securities and the overall securities market, and may be adversely affected by unfavorable changes in any of these factors, some of which are beyond our control. In addition, market volatility or events or developments in the credit markets could materially and adversely affect the market value of the notes, regardless of our financial condition, results of operations, business, prospects or credit quality.

Federal and state statutes allow courts, under specific circumstances, to void guarantees and require holders of notes to return payments received from guarantors.

Under the federal bankruptcy law and comparable provisions of state fraudulent transfer laws, a guarantee, such as the guarantee provided by DCT, could be voided, or claims in respect of a guarantee could be subordinated to all other debts of that guarantor if, among other things, the guarantor, at the time it incurred the indebtedness evidenced by its guarantee, received less than reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration for the incurrence of the guarantee and either:

was insolvent or rendered insolvent by reason of the incurrence of the guarantee;

was engaged in a business or transaction for which the guarantor's remaining assets constituted unreasonably small capital; or

intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay those debts as they mature. In addition, any payment by that guarantor pursuant to its guarantee could be voided and required to be returned to the guarantor, or to a fund for the benefit of the creditors of the guarantor. The measures of insolvency for purposes of these fraudulent transfer laws will vary depending upon the law applied in any proceeding to determine whether a fraudulent transfer has occurred. Generally, however, a guarantor would be considered insolvent if:

the sum of its debts, including contingent liabilities, was greater than the fair saleable value of all of its assets;

the present fair saleable value of its assets was less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liability on its existing debts, including contingent liabilities, as they became absolute and mature; or

it could not pay its debts as they become due.

The court might also void such guarantee, without regard to the above factors, if it found that a guarantor entered into its guarantee with actual or deemed intent to hinder, delay, or defraud its creditors.

We cannot be certain as to the standards a court would use to determine whether reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration was received by DCT for its guarantee of the notes. If a court voided such guarantee, holders of the notes would no longer have a claim against DCT or the benefit of the assets of DCT constituting collateral that purportedly secured such guarantee and would be creditors solely of us. In addition, the court might direct holders of the notes to repay any amounts already received from DCT. If the court were to void the guarantee of DCT we cannot assure you that funds would be available to pay the notes from any of our subsidiaries or from any other source.

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An increase in interest rates could result in a decrease in the relative value of the notes.

In general, as market interest rates rise, notes bearing interest at a fixed rate generally decline in value because the premium, if any, over market interest rates will decline. Consequently, if you purchase these notes and market interest rates increase, the market value of your notes may decline. We cannot predict the future level of market interest rates.

Holders of the notes will not be entitled to require us to redeem or repurchase the notes upon the occurrence of change of control or highly levered transactions or other designated events.

Other than as provided in Description of Notes Merger, Consolidation or Sale, the indenture will not afford holders of the notes protection in the event of (1) a recapitalization transaction or other highly leveraged or similar transaction involving the Operating Partnership or DCT, (2) a change of control of the Operating Partnership or DCT or (3) a merger, consolidation, reorganization, restructuring or transfer or lease of all or substantially all of the Operating Partnership's or DCT's assets or similar transactions that may adversely affect the holders of the notes. The Operating Partnership or DCT may, in the future, enter into certain transactions, such as the sale of all or substantially all of the Operating Partnership's or DCT's assets or a merger or consolidation that may increase the amount of the Operating Partnership's or DCT's indebtedness or substantially change the Operating Partnership's or DCT's assets, which may have a material adverse effect on the Operating Partnership's ability to service its indebtedness, including the notes, or on DCT's ability to pay amounts due under its guarantee of the notes. Furthermore, the notes and the indenture will not include any provisions that would allow holders of the notes to require the Operating Partnership or DCT to repurchase or redeem the notes in the event of a transaction of the nature described above.

Redemption may adversely affect your return on the notes.

The notes are redeemable at the Operating Partnership's option and the Operating Partnership may choose to redeem some or all of the notes from time to time, especially when prevailing interest rates are lower than the rate borne by the notes. If prevailing rates are lower at the time of redemption, you would not be able to reinvest the redemption proceeds in a comparable security at an effective interest rate as high as the interest rate on the notes being redeemed. See Description of Notes Redemption of the Notes at the Option of the Operating Partnership.

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CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

We make statements in this prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus, and the documents incorporated by reference that are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. In particular, statements pertaining to our capital resources, portfolio performance and results of operations contain forward-looking statements. Likewise, all of our statements regarding anticipated market conditions, demographics and results of operations are forward-looking statements. You can identify forward-looking statements by the use of forward-looking terminology such as believes, expects, may, will, should, seeks, approximately, intends, forma, estimates or anticipates or the negative of these words and phrases or similar words or phrases which are predictions of or indicate future events or trends and which do not relate solely to historical matters. You can also identify forward looking statements by discussions of strategy, plans or intentions. We intend these 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 involve numerous risks and uncertainties and you should not rely on them as predictions of future events. Forward-looking statements depend on assumptions, data or methods which may be incorrect or imprecise and we may not be able to realize them. We do not guarantee that the transactions and events described will happen as described (or that they will happen at all). The following factors, among others, could cause actual results and future events to differ materially from those set forth or contemplated in the forward-looking statements:

national, international, regional and local economic conditions;

the general level of interest rates and the availability of capital;

the competitive environment in which we operate;

real estate risks, including fluctuations in real estate values and the general economic climate in local markets and competition for tenants in such markets;

decreased rental rates or increasing vacancy rates;

defaults on or non-renewal of leases by tenants;

acquisition and development risks, including failure of such acquisitions and development projects to perform in accordance with projections;

the timing of acquisitions, dispositions and development;

natural disasters such as fires, floods, tornadoes, hurricanes and earthquakes;

energy costs;

the terms of governmental regulations that affect us and interpretations of those regulations, including the costs of compliance with those regulations, changes in real estate and zoning laws and increases in real property tax rates;

financing risks, including the risk that our cash flows from operations may be insufficient to meet required payments of principal, interest and other commitments;

lack of or insufficient amounts of insurance;

litigation, including costs associated with prosecuting or defending claims and any adverse outcomes;

the consequences of future terrorist attacks or civil unrest;

environmental liabilities, including costs, fines or penalties that may be incurred due to necessary remediation of contamination of properties presently owned or previously owned by us; and

other risks and uncertainties detailed in the section entitled Risk Factors.

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In addition, our current and continuing qualification as a REIT involves the application of highly technical and complex provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the Code, and depends on our ability to meet the various requirements imposed by the Code through actual operating results, distribution levels and diversity of stock ownership.

While forward-looking statements reflect our current beliefs, they are not guaranties of future performance. We disclaim any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement to reflect changes in underlying assumptions or factors, new information, data or methods, future events or other changes. For a further discussion of these and other factors that could impact our future results, performance or transactions, see the section entitled Risk Factors in this prospectus supplement and the documents referred to in that section.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

We expect that the net proceeds from this offering will be approximately \$ million after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and our estimated expenses. We intend to use the net proceeds of this offering to repay amounts outstanding under our unsecured revolving credit facility and for general corporate purposes.

As of December 31, 2016, our unsecured revolving credit facility had a total outstanding balance of approximately \$75.0 million. Our unsecured revolving credit facility matures in April 2019, and the facility bears interest from 0.00% to 1.55% per annum over the selected floating base interest rate depending upon the debt rating of the Operating Partnership and the type of loan. As of December 31, 2016, the interest rate under the unsecured revolving credit facility is 1.72%. We have used borrowings under our unsecured revolving credit facility to fund acquisitions, to fund development activities and for general corporate purposes.

Affiliates of J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC are lenders under our unsecured revolving credit facility. These lenders will receive their pro rata portion of any net proceeds from this offering used to repay amounts outstanding under our unsecured revolving credit facility. See Underwriting Other Relationships in this prospectus supplement.

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DESCRIPTION OF NOTES

The following description summarizes key terms and provisions of the notes and the indenture referred to below, does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the actual terms and provisions of the notes and the indenture. The information in this section supplements and, to the extent inconsistent therewith, replaces the information in the accompanying prospectus under the caption Description of Debt Securities and Description of Guarantee Guarantees Related to 2023 Notes.

Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the notes or the indenture, as applicable. As used in this Description of Notes, references to we, our, us or the Operating Partnership refer solely to DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP and not to any of our subsidiaries, and references to DCT refer solely to DCT Industrial Trust Inc., and not to any of its subsidiaries, unless the context requires otherwise.

General

The Operating Partnership will issue the notes under an indenture among itself, DCT, as guarantor, U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, and the other parties named therein dated October 9, 2013, as supplemented by a supplemental indenture, to be entered into in connection with the issuance of the notes offered hereby. As used in this Description of Notes, the term indenture refers to the original indenture and the supplemental indenture, unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires. The indenture complies with the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, or the Trust Indenture Act. The terms of the notes include those stated in the indenture and those made part of the indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act.

The notes offered hereby are additional notes issued under the indenture. The notes will form a part of the same series as our 4.500% Senior Notes due 2023 that were previously issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$275.0 million. The notes offered hereby will be treated as a single series with the previously issued notes for all purposes under the indenture, including without limitation waivers, amendments, redemptions and offers to purchase. Upon completion of this offering, the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding notes of the series will be \$ million.

As used in this Description of Notes, the term notes means the notes offered hereby and the previously issued notes, collectively, unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires. The notes will be issued only in fully registered, book-entry form, in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof, except under the limited circumstances described below under Book-Entry, Delivery and Form. The registered holder of a note will be treated as its owner for all purposes.

If any interest payment date, stated maturity date or redemption date is not a business day, the payment otherwise required to be made on such date will be made on the next business day without any additional payment as a result of such delay. The term business day means, with respect to any note, any day, other than a Saturday, Sunday or any other day on which banking institutions in New York, New York are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close. All payments will be made in U.S. dollars.

The notes will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed by DCT on a senior unsecured basis. See Guarantee below.

The terms of the notes provide that we are permitted to reduce interest payments and payments upon a redemption of notes otherwise payable to a holder for any amounts we are required to withhold by law. For example, non-United States holders of the notes may, under some circumstances, be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax with respect to payments of interest on the notes. We will set-off any such withholding tax that we are required to pay against payments of interest payable on the notes and payments upon a redemption of notes.

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The notes and the guarantee will be the Operating Partnership's and DCT's senior unsecured obligations and will rank equally in right of payment with all of their existing and future senior indebtedness. The notes and the guarantee, however, will be effectively subordinated to all of the Operating Partnership's and DCT's existing and future secured indebtedness (to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness). The notes will also be effectively subordinated in right of payment to all existing and future liabilities and other indebtedness, whether secured or unsecured, of the Operating Partnership's subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2016, the Operating Partnership had approximately \$200.2 million of secured indebtedness and \$1.4 billion of senior unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness outstanding on a consolidated basis. Of such indebtedness, all of the secured indebtedness is attributable to the Operating Partnership's subsidiaries and none of the senior unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness is attributable to the Operating Partnership's subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2016, after giving effect to this offering and the intended use of proceeds, the Operating Partnership would have had approximately \$200.2 million of secured indebtedness and \$1.5 billion of senior unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness outstanding on a consolidated basis. See "Guarantee" below for a description of the ranking of the guarantee.

Except as described under "Certain Covenants" and "Merger, Consolidation or Sale," the indenture governing the notes will not prohibit us or DCT or any of our subsidiaries from incurring secured or unsecured indebtedness in the future, nor will the indenture afford holders of the notes protection in the event of (1) a recapitalization transaction or other highly leveraged or similar transaction involving us or DCT, (2) a change of control of us or DCT or (3) a merger, consolidation, reorganization, restructuring or transfer or lease of substantially all of our or DCT's assets or similar transaction that may adversely affect the holders of the notes. We may, in the future, enter into certain transactions such as the sale of all or substantially all of our assets or a merger or consolidation that may increase the amount of our indebtedness or substantially change our assets, which may have an adverse effect on our ability to service our indebtedness, including the notes. See "Risk factors" "Risks related to the notes and this offering" Despite our substantial indebtedness, we may still incur significantly more debt, which could exacerbate any or all of the risks related to our indebtedness, including our ability to pay the principal of or interest on the notes.

Additional Notes

Upon the completion of this offering, the notes will be limited to an aggregate principal amount of \$ _____ million. We may from time to time, without notice to or consent of existing noteholders, create and issue additional notes having the same terms and conditions as the notes offered by this prospectus supplement in all respects, except for the issue date and, under certain circumstances, the issue price, interest accrued prior to the issue date and first payment of interest thereon. Additional notes issued in this manner will be consolidated with and will form a single series with the previously outstanding notes, provided, however, that such additional notes may not be fungible with the previously outstanding notes for U.S. federal income tax purposes, in which case the additional notes would have a different CUSIP number than the notes previously issued under the indenture.

Interest

Interest on the notes will accrue at the rate of 4.500% per year from and including the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or provided for, and will be payable semi-annually in arrears on April 15 and October 15 of each year. The interest so payable will be paid to each holder in whose name a note is registered at the close of business on the April 1 or October 1 (whether or not a business day) immediately preceding the applicable interest payment date. Interest on the notes will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Interest on the notes offered hereby will accrue from and including October 15, 2016, representing the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or provided for, and will be payable beginning

April 15, 2017.

If any interest payment, maturity or redemption date falls on a day that is not a business day, the required payment shall be made on the next business day as if it were made on the date such payment was due and no

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interest shall accrue on the amount so payable from and after such interest payment, maturity or redemption date, as the case may be, to such next business day. If we redeem the notes in accordance with the terms of the indenture, we will pay accrued and unpaid interest and premium, if any, to the holder that surrenders the note for redemption. If a redemption falls after a record date and on or prior to the corresponding interest payment date, however, we will pay the full amount of accrued and unpaid interest and premium, if any, due on such interest payment date to the holder of record at the close of business on the corresponding record date (instead of the holder surrendering its notes for redemption).

Maturity

The notes will mature on October 15, 2023 and will be paid against presentation and surrender thereof at the corporate trust office of the trustee unless earlier redeemed by us at our option as described under Redemption of the Notes at the Option of the Operating Partnership below. The notes will not be entitled to the benefits of, or be subject to, any sinking fund.

Redemption of the Notes at the Option of the Operating Partnership

We may redeem the notes at our option and in our sole discretion, at any time or from time to time prior to 90 days prior to the maturity date in whole or in part, at a redemption price equal to the greater of:

100% of the principal amount of the notes being redeemed; or

the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest thereon (not including any portion of such payments of interest accrued as of the redemption date) discounted to the redemption date on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Adjusted Treasury Rate (as defined below) plus 30 basis points, plus, in each case, accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but not including, the applicable redemption date; provided, however, that if the redemption date falls after a record date and on or prior to the corresponding interest payment date, we will pay the full amount of accrued and unpaid interest, if any (plus additional interest, if applicable), on such interest payment date to the holder of record at the close of business on the corresponding record date (instead of the holder surrendering its notes for redemption).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the notes are redeemed on or after 90 days prior to the maturity date, the redemption price will be equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes being redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but not including, the applicable redemption date.

As used herein:

Adjusted Treasury Rate means, with respect to any redemption date, the rate per year equal to the semi-annual equivalent yield to maturity (computed on the third business day immediately preceding the redemption date) of the Comparable Treasury Issue, assuming a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such redemption date.

Comparable Treasury Issue means the United States Treasury security selected by the Quotation Agent as having an actual or interpolated maturity comparable to the remaining term of the notes to be redeemed that would be utilized, at

the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of such notes.

Comparable Treasury Price means, with respect to any redemption date, (1) the bid price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) at 4:00 P.M. on the third business day preceding such redemption date, as set forth on Reuters Page 500 (or such other page as may replace Reuters Page 500), or (2) if such page (or any successor page) is not displayed or does not contain such bid prices

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at such time (a) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations obtained by the trustee for such redemption date, after excluding the highest and lowest of four such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, or (b) if the trustee is unable to obtain at least four such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations obtained by the trustee.

Quotation Agent means an independent investment banking institution of national standing appointed by the Operating Partnership from time to time.

Reference Treasury Dealer means, as determined by us, either (1) J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. (or an affiliate or successor of any of the foregoing that is a Primary Treasury Dealer), a Primary Treasury Dealer selected by Wells Fargo Securities LLC or its successor and one other primary U.S. government securities dealer, or a Primary Treasury Dealer, appointed by us or (2) one Primary Treasury Dealer appointed by us and three other Primary Treasury Dealers selected by the Quotation Agent; provided, however, that if any of the foregoing shall cease to be a Primary Treasury Dealer, we will substitute therefor another Primary Treasury Dealer.

Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any redemption date, the average, as determined by us, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the trustee by such Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third business day preceding such redemption date.

Notice of any redemption will be mailed at least 30 days but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each holder of the notes to be redeemed. Unless we default in payment of the redemption price, on and after the redemption date, interest will cease to accrue on the notes or portions thereof called for redemption.

If we decide to redeem the notes in part, the trustee will select the notes to be redeemed (in principal amounts of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof) on a pro rata basis or such other method it deems fair and appropriate or is required by the depository for the notes.

In the event of any redemption of notes in part, we will not be required to:

issue or register the transfer or exchange of any note during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the mailing of a notice of redemption of the notes selected for redemption and ending at the close of business on the day of such mailing; or

register the transfer or exchange of any note so selected for redemption, in whole or in part, except the unredeemed portion of any note being redeemed in part.

If the paying agent holds funds sufficient to pay the redemption price of the notes to be redeemed on the redemption date, then on and after such date:

such notes will cease to be outstanding;

interest on such notes or portion of notes will cease to accrue; and

all rights of holders of such notes will terminate except the right to receive the redemption price. Such will be the case whether or not book-entry transfer of the notes in book-entry form is made and whether or not notes in certificated form, together with the necessary endorsements, are delivered to the paying agent.

We will not redeem the notes on any date if the principal amount of the notes has been accelerated, and such an acceleration has not been rescinded or cured on or prior to such date.

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Limitation on total outstanding debt. The notes will provide that the Operating Partnership will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, incur any Debt (including, without limitation, Acquired Debt) if, immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of such Debt and the application of the proceeds from such Debt on a pro forma basis, the aggregate principal amount of all of its and its Subsidiaries' outstanding Debt (determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP) is greater than 60% of the sum of the following (without duplication): (1) Total Assets of the Operating Partnership and its Subsidiaries as of the last day of the then most recently ended fiscal quarter for which financial statements are available and (2) the aggregate purchase price of any real estate assets or mortgages receivable acquired, and the aggregate amount of any securities offering proceeds received (to the extent such proceeds were not used to acquire real estate assets or mortgages receivable or used to reduce Debt), by the Operating Partnership or any Subsidiary since the end of such fiscal quarter, including the proceeds obtained from the incurrence of such additional Debt.

Secured debt test. The notes will provide that the Operating Partnership will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, incur any Debt (including, without limitation, Acquired Debt) secured by any Lien on any of its or any of its Subsidiaries' property or assets, whether owned on the date of the indenture or subsequently acquired, if, immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of such Debt and the application of the proceeds from such Debt on a pro forma basis, the aggregate principal amount (determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP) of all of its and its Subsidiaries' outstanding Debt which is secured by a Lien on any of the Operating Partnership's or any of its Subsidiaries' property or assets is greater than 40% of the sum of the following (without duplication): (1) Total Assets of the Operating Partnership and its Subsidiaries as of the last day of the then most recently ended fiscal quarter for which financial statements are available; and (2) the aggregate purchase price of any real estate assets or mortgages receivable acquired, and the aggregate amount of any securities offering proceeds received (to the extent such proceeds were not used to acquire real estate assets or mortgages receivable or used to reduce Debt), by the Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries since the end of such fiscal quarter, including the proceeds obtained from the incurrence of such additional Debt.

Debt service test. The notes also will provide that the Operating Partnership will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, incur any Debt (including without limitation Acquired Debt) if the ratio of Consolidated Income Available for Debt Service to Annual Debt Service Charge for the period consisting of the four consecutive fiscal quarters most recently ended prior to the date on which such additional Debt is to be incurred shall have been less than 1.5:1 on a pro forma basis after giving effect to the incurrence of such Debt and the application of the proceeds from such Debt (determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP), and calculated on the following assumptions: (1) such Debt and any other Debt (including, without limitation, Acquired Debt) incurred by the Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries since the first day of such four-quarter period had been incurred, and the application of the proceeds from such Debt (including to repay or retire other Debt) had occurred, on the first day of such period; (2) the repayment or retirement of any other Debt of the Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries since the first day of such four-quarter period had occurred on the first day of such period (except that, in making this computation, the amount of Debt under any revolving credit facility, line of credit or similar facility will be computed based upon the average daily balance of such Debt during such period); and (3) in the case of any acquisition or disposition by the Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries since the first day of such four-quarter period, whether by merger, stock purchase or sale or asset purchase or sale or otherwise, such acquisition or disposition had occurred as of the first day of such period with the appropriate adjustments with respect to such acquisition or disposition being included in such pro forma calculation.

If the Debt giving rise to the need to make the calculation described above or any other Debt incurred after the first day of the relevant four-quarter period bears interest at a floating rate, then, for purposes of calculating the Annual

Debt Service Charge, the interest rate on such Debt will be computed on a pro forma basis by applying the average daily rate which would have been in effect during the entire four-quarter period to the greater of the amount of such Debt outstanding at the end of such period or the average amount of such Debt outstanding during such period.

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For purposes of the foregoing, Debt will be deemed to be incurred by the Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries whenever the Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries shall create, assume, guarantee or otherwise become liable in respect thereof.

Maintenance of total unencumbered assets. The notes will provide that the Operating Partnership will not have at any time Total Unencumbered Assets of less than 150% of the aggregate principal amount of all of its and its Subsidiaries outstanding Unsecured Debt determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

Existence. Except as permitted under Merger, Consolidation or Sale, the Operating Partnership will do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve and keep in full force and effect its existence, rights (charter and statutory) and franchises, and DCT will do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve and keep in full force and effect its existence, rights (charter and statutory) and franchises. However, neither the Operating Partnership nor DCT will be required to preserve any right or franchise if DCT's board of directors (or any duly authorized committee of that board of directors), as the case may be, determines that the preservation of the right or franchise is no longer desirable in the conduct of the Operating Partnership's or DCT's business, as the case may be.

Maintenance of properties. The notes will provide that the Operating Partnership will cause all of its properties used or useful in the conduct of its business or the business of any of its Subsidiaries to be maintained and kept in good condition, repair and working order, normal wear and tear, casualty and condemnation excepted, and supplied with all necessary equipment and cause all necessary repairs, renewals, replacements, betterments and improvements to be made, all as in our judgment may be necessary in order for the Operating Partnership to at all times properly and advantageously conduct its business carried on in connection with such properties. The Operating Partnership and DCT will not be prevented from (1) removing permanently any property that has been condemned or suffered a casualty loss, if it is in our best interests, (2) discontinuing maintenance or operation of any property if, in DCT's reasonable judgment, such removal is in the best interest of DCT and is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the holders of the notes, or (3) selling or otherwise disposing for value its properties in the ordinary course of business consistent with the terms of the indenture.

Insurance. The notes will provide that the Operating Partnership will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, keep in force upon all of its and each of its Subsidiaries' properties and operations insurance policies carried with responsible insurance companies in such amounts and covering all such risks as is customary in the industry in which the Operating Partnership and its Subsidiaries do business in accordance with prevailing market conditions and availability.

Payment of taxes and other claims. The notes will provide that the Operating Partnership, DCT and any other Guarantor will each pay or discharge or cause to be paid or discharged before it becomes delinquent:

all material taxes, assessments and governmental charges levied or imposed on each of them or any of their respective Subsidiaries or on their respective or any such Subsidiary's income, profits or property; and

all material lawful claims for labor, materials and supplies that, if unpaid, might by law become a Lien upon their respective property or the property of any of their respective Subsidiaries.

However, neither the Operating Partnership nor DCT will be required to pay or discharge or cause to be paid or discharged any tax, assessment, charge or claim the amount, applicability or validity of which is being contested in good faith.

Provision of financial information. The notes will provide that whether or not the Operating Partnership is subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and for so long as any notes are outstanding, the Operating Partnership will furnish to the trustee (1) all quarterly and annual reports that would be required to be filed with the SEC on Forms 10-Q and 10-K if the Operating Partnership was required to file such reports and (2) all

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current reports that would be required to be filed with the SEC on Form 8-K if the Operating Partnership was required to file such reports, in each case within 15 days after the Operating Partnership files such reports with the SEC or would be required to file such reports with the SEC pursuant to the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC, whichever is earlier. Reports, information and documents filed with the SEC via the EDGAR system will be deemed to be delivered to the trustee as of the time of such filing via EDGAR for purposes of this covenant; provided, however, that the trustee shall have no obligation whatsoever to determine whether or not such information, documents or reports have been filed via EDGAR. Delivery of such reports, information and documents to the trustee is for informational purposes only and the trustee's receipt of such shall not constitute constructive notice of any information contained therein or determinable from information contained therein, including its compliance with any of its covenants relating to the notes (as to which the trustee is entitled to rely exclusively on an officer's certificate). Notwithstanding the foregoing, if permitted by the SEC, the Operating Partnership may satisfy its obligation to furnish the reports described above by furnishing such reports filed by DCT.

Guarantee

DCT will fully and unconditionally guarantee our obligations under the notes, including the due and punctual payment of principal of and premium, if any, and interest on the notes, whether at stated maturity, by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption or otherwise. The guarantee will be limited to the amount necessary to prevent such guarantee from constituting a fraudulent transfer or conveyance under applicable law. See Risk factors Risks related to the notes and this offering Federal and state statutes allow courts, under specific circumstances, to void guarantees and require holders of notes to return payments received from guarantors.

Each guarantee will be a continuing guarantee and will inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the trustee, the holders of the notes and their successors, transferees and assigns.

Initially, none of our Subsidiaries will guarantee our obligations under the notes offered hereby. If at any time after the issuance of the notes, a Subsidiary of the Operating Partnership (including any future Subsidiary) guarantees our indebtedness for money borrowed in an amount greater than \$5.0 million, the Operating Partnership will cause such Subsidiary to guarantee the notes by simultaneously executing and delivering a supplemental indenture in accordance with the indenture.

Any such Subsidiary guarantor, or a Subsidiary Guarantor, and DCT (together with the Subsidiary Guarantors, the Guarantors) will be automatically and unconditionally released from its obligations under the indenture and the related guarantee:

- (a) in the case of a Subsidiary Guarantor, upon the sale or other disposition of the Subsidiary Guarantor;
- (b) in the case of a Subsidiary Guarantor, upon the sale or disposition of all or substantially all the assets of the Subsidiary Guarantor;
- (c) upon the liquidation or dissolution of such Guarantor; provided no Default or Event of Default shall occur as a result thereof;

- (d) if we exercise our legal defeasance option or our covenant defeasance option as described under Defeasance or if our obligations under the indenture are discharged in accordance with the terms of the indenture as described under Satisfaction and Discharge ; or

- (e) if a Guarantor ceases to guarantee the obligations of the Operating Partnership under any indebtedness for money borrowed of the Operating Partnership in an amount greater than \$5.0 million.
provided, however, that in the case of clauses (a) and (b) above, (1) such sale or other disposition is made to a person other than DCT or any of its Subsidiaries and (2) such sale or disposition is otherwise permitted by the indenture.

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At our request, and upon delivery to the trustee of an officer's certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent under the indenture relating to such release have been complied with, the trustee will execute any documents reasonably requested by us evidencing such release.

In 2015, each Subsidiary that originally guaranteed the notes previously issued under the indenture was automatically and unconditionally released from its obligations pursuant to the terms of the indenture described above.

Merger, Consolidation or Sale

The indenture provides that the Operating Partnership or DCT may consolidate with, or sell, lease or convey all or substantially all of our or its assets to, or merge with or into, any other entity, provided that the following conditions are met:

the Operating Partnership or DCT, as the case may be, shall be the continuing entity, or the successor entity (if other than the Operating Partnership or DCT, as the case may be) formed by or resulting from any consolidation or merger or which shall have received the transfer of assets shall be domiciled in the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia and shall expressly assume payment of the principal of and interest on all of the notes and the due and punctual performance and observance of all of the covenants and conditions in the indenture and in the notes or the guarantees endorsed on the notes, as the case may be;

immediately after giving effect to the transaction, no Event of Default under the indenture, and no event which, after notice or the lapse of time, or both, would become an Event of Default, shall have occurred and be continuing; and

an officer's certificate and legal opinion covering these conditions shall be delivered to the trustee. In the event of any transaction described in and complying with the conditions listed in the immediately preceding paragraphs in which the Operating Partnership and/or DCT are not the continuing entity, the successor person formed or remaining shall succeed, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of the Operating Partnership, and each of the Operating Partnership and/or DCT shall be discharged from its respective obligations under the notes, the guarantee and the indenture.

Events of Default

The indenture provides that the following events are Events of Default with respect to the notes:

default for 30 days in the payment of any installment of interest under the notes;

default in the payment of the principal amount or redemption price due with respect to the notes, when the same becomes due and payable; provided, however, that a valid extension of the maturity of the notes in accordance with the terms of the indenture shall not constitute a default in the payment of principal;

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any guarantee by a Guarantor (excluding, in the case of a Subsidiary Guarantor, a Subsidiary Guarantor that by itself or considered together with other Subsidiary Guarantors whose guarantees cease to be in full force or effect would not also be a Significant Subsidiary) ceases for any reason to be, or is asserted in writing by the Operating Partnership or such Guarantor not to be, in full force and effect and enforceable in accordance with its terms except to the extent contemplated by the indenture and any such guarantee;

the Operating Partnership's failure to comply with any of its other agreements in the notes or the indenture upon receipt by the Operating Partnership of notice of such default by the trustee or by holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of the notes then outstanding and the Operating Partnership's failure to cure (or obtain a waiver of) such default within 60 days after it receives such notice;

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failure to pay any recourse indebtedness for money borrowed by the Operating Partnership, DCT or any Significant Subsidiary in an outstanding principal amount in excess of \$50.0 million at final maturity or upon acceleration after the expiration of any applicable grace period, which recourse indebtedness is not discharged, or such default in payment or acceleration is not cured or rescinded, within 30 days after written notice to the Operating Partnership or DCT from the trustee (or to the Operating Partnership and the trustee from holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding notes);

certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization, court appointment of a receiver, liquidator or trustee of the Operating Partnership, DCT or any of their respective Significant Subsidiaries or any substantial part of their respective property, or commencement of an involuntary case or other proceeding against the Operating Partnership, DCT or any Significant Subsidiary seeking liquidation, reorganization or other relief with respect to the Operating Partnership, DCT or any Significant Subsidiary or its debts under any bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law (which involuntary case or other proceeding remains undismissed and unstayed for 30 days).

If an Event of Default under the indenture with respect to the notes occurs and is continuing (other than an Event of Default specified in the last bullet above with respect to us, which shall result in an automatic acceleration), then in every case the trustee or the holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the outstanding notes may declare the principal amount of and premium, if any, and interest accrued and unpaid on all of the notes to be due and payable immediately by written notice thereof to us and DCT (and to the trustee if given by the holders). However, at any time after the declaration of acceleration with respect to the notes has been made, but before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the trustee, the holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of outstanding notes may waive all defaults or Events of Default and rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences if all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of accelerated principal of (or specified portion thereof) or interest on the notes, have been cured or waived as provided in the indenture.

The indenture also provides that the holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the outstanding notes may waive any past default or Event of Default with respect to the notes and its consequences, except a default:

in the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the notes, unless such default has been cured and we or DCT shall have deposited with the trustee all required payments of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the notes; or

in respect of a covenant or provision contained in the indenture that cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the holder of all 2023 Notes outstanding or each outstanding note affected thereby.

The trustee will be required to give notice to the holders of the notes of a default under the indenture unless the default has been cured or waived within 90 days; provided, however, that the trustee may withhold notice to the holders of the notes of any default with respect to the notes (except a default in the payment of the principal of or interest on the notes) if a trust committee of directors or specified responsible officers of the trustee consider the withholding to be in the interest of the holders.

The indenture provides that no holders of the notes may institute any proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to the indenture or for any remedy thereunder, except in the case of failure of the trustee, for 90 days, to act after it has received a written request to institute proceedings in respect of an Event of Default from the holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the outstanding notes, as well as an offer of reasonable indemnity. This provision will not

prevent, however, any holder of the notes from instituting suit for the enforcement of payment of the principal of and interest on the notes at the respective due dates thereof.

Subject to provisions in the indenture relating to its duties in case of default, the trustee is under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the indenture at the request or direction of any holders of

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the notes then outstanding under the indenture, unless the holders shall have offered to the trustee reasonable security or indemnity. The holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the outstanding notes (or of all notes then outstanding under the indenture, as the case may be) shall have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the trustee, or of exercising any trust or power conferred upon the trustee. However, the trustee may refuse to follow any direction (a) which is in conflict with any law or the indenture, (b) which may be unduly prejudicial to the holders of the notes not joining therein or (c) that would involve the trustee in personal liability, and the trustee may take any other action which is not inconsistent with such direction.

Within 120 days after the close of each fiscal year of the Operating Partnership, the Operating Partnership and DCT must deliver a certificate of an officer certifying to the trustee whether or not the officer has knowledge of any default under the indenture and, if so, specifying each default and the nature and status thereof.

Defeasance

The Operating Partnership may, at its option and at any time, elect to have its obligations and the obligations of each Guarantor discharged with respect to the outstanding notes and guarantees, or Legal Defeasance. Legal Defeasance means that the Operating Partnership and the Guarantors shall be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire indebtedness represented by the outstanding notes and guarantees, and to have satisfied all other obligations under such notes, the guarantees and the indenture, except as to:

the rights of holders of outstanding notes to receive payments in respect of the principal of, or interest or premium and additional interest, if any, on, such notes when such payments are due from the trust funds referred to below;

the Operating Partnership's obligations with respect to such notes, including concerning exchange and registration of transfer of notes, mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen notes, issuing temporary notes, and the maintenance of an office or agency for payment and money for security payments held in trust;

the rights, powers, trust, duties, and immunities of the trustee, and the Operating Partnership's and the Guarantors' obligations in connection therewith; and

the Legal Defeasance and Covenant Defeasance provisions of the indenture.

In addition, the Operating Partnership may, at its option and at any time, elect to have its obligations and the obligations of the Guarantors released with respect to certain covenants under the indenture, including certain covenants listed under Certain Covenants above, as described in the indenture, or Covenant Defeasance, and thereafter any omission to comply with such obligations shall not constitute a default or an Event of Default. In the event Covenant Defeasance occurs, certain Events of Default (not including non-payment, bankruptcy, receivership, rehabilitation and insolvency events) will no longer apply. Except as specified herein, however, the remainder of the indenture and such notes and guarantees will be unaffected by the occurrence of Covenant Defeasance, and the notes will continue to be deemed outstanding for all other purposes under the indenture other than for the purposes of any direction, waiver, consent or declaration or act of holders (and the consequences of any thereof) in connection with any of the defeased covenants.

In order to exercise either Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance:

the Operating Partnership must irrevocably deposit with the trustee, in trust, for the benefit of the holders, cash in U.S. dollars, non-callable government securities, or a combination thereof, in such amounts as will be sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized investment bank, appraisal firm, or firm of independent public accountants, to pay the principal of, premium and additional interest, if any, and interest on, the outstanding notes on the stated date for payment thereof or on the redemption date of the notes, as the case may be, and the Operating Partnership must specify whether the notes are being defeased to such stated date for payment or to a particular redemption date;

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in the case of Legal Defeasance, the Operating Partnership must deliver to the trustee an opinion of counsel confirming that:

the Operating Partnership has received from, or there has been published by the IRS a ruling, or

since the date of the indenture, there has been a change in the applicable U.S. federal income tax law, in either case to the effect that, and based thereon such opinion of counsel shall confirm that, the holders of the outstanding notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such Legal Defeasance and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Legal Defeasance had not occurred;

in the case of Covenant Defeasance, the Operating Partnership must deliver to the trustee an opinion of counsel confirming that the holders of the outstanding notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such Covenant Defeasance and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Covenant Defeasance had not occurred;

no default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing on the date of such deposit (other than a default or Event of Default resulting from the borrowing of funds to be applied to such deposit (and any similar concurrent deposit relating to other indebtedness being defeased, discharged or replaced), and the granting of liens to secure such borrowings);

such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance shall not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, any material agreement or instrument (other than the indenture and the agreements governing any other indebtedness being defeased, discharged or replaced) to which the Operating Partnership, DCT or any Subsidiary Guarantor is a party or by which any of them is bound;

the Operating Partnership must deliver to the trustee an officer's certificate stating that the deposit was not made by the Operating Partnership with the intent of preferring the holders of the notes over its other creditors with the intent of defeating, hindering, delaying or defrauding any of its creditors or others; and

the Operating Partnership must deliver to the trustee an officer's certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent relating to the Legal Defeasance or the Covenant Defeasance have been complied with.

Satisfaction and Discharge

The indenture will be discharged and will cease to be of further effect (except as to surviving rights or registration of transfer or exchange of the notes, as expressly provided for in the indenture) as to all outstanding notes when:

either:

all the notes theretofore authenticated and delivered (except lost, stolen or destroyed notes which have been replaced or paid and notes for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to us) have been delivered to the trustee for cancellation; or

all notes not theretofore delivered to the trustee for cancellation (1) have become due and payable or will become due and payable at their stated maturity within one year, or otherwise, or (2) are to be called for redemption on a redemption date within one year under arrangements reasonably satisfactory to the trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Operating Partnership, and the Operating Partnership, in the case of clause (1) or (2) above, has irrevocably deposited or caused to be irrevocably deposited with the trustee or the paying agent (other than us or any of our affiliates), as applicable, as trust funds in trust

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cash in an amount sufficient to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on such notes not theretofore delivered to the trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of such deposit (in the case of notes which have become due and payable) or to the maturity date or redemption date, as the case may be; provided, however, that there shall not exist, on the date of such deposit, a default or Event of Default; provided, further, that such deposit shall not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, the indenture or any other material agreement or instrument to which the Operating Partnership is a party or to which the Operating Partnership is bound;

the Operating Partnership has paid or caused to be paid all other sums payable under the indenture by the Operating Partnership; and

the Operating Partnership has delivered to the trustee an officer's certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent provided for in the indenture relating to the satisfaction and discharge of the indenture have been complied with.

Modification, Waiver and Meetings

Modifications and amendments of, and supplements to, the indenture (other than certain modifications, supplements and amendments for administrative purposes or for the benefit of note holders, in each case as further described below) will be permitted to be made only with the consent of the holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of all outstanding notes; provided, however, that no modification or amendment may, without the consent of the holder of each note affected thereby:

change the stated maturity of the principal of or any installment of interest on the notes issued under such indenture, reduce the principal amount of, or the rate or amount of interest on, or any premium payable on redemption of, the notes, or adversely affect any right of repayment of the holder of the notes, change the place of payment, or the coin or currency, for payment of principal of or interest on any note or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any payment on or with respect to the notes;

reduce the above-stated percentage of outstanding notes necessary to modify or amend the indenture, to waive compliance with certain provisions thereof or certain defaults and consequences thereunder or to reduce the quorum or change voting requirements set forth in the indenture;

modify or affect in any manner adverse to the holders the terms and conditions of the obligations of the Operating Partnership or any Guarantor in respect of the payment of principal and interest;

modify or affect in any manner adverse to the holders of the notes the terms and conditions of the guarantees of any Guarantor in respect of the notes; or

modify any of the foregoing provisions or any of the provisions relating to the waiver of certain past defaults or certain covenants, except to increase the required percentage to effect the action or to provide that certain

other provisions may not be modified or waived without the consent of the holders of the notes. Notwithstanding the foregoing, modifications and amendments of the indenture will be permitted to be made by the Operating Partnership, DCT and the trustee without the consent of any holder of the notes for any of the following purposes:

to evidence a successor to us as obligor or DCT as guarantor under the indenture;

to add to our covenants or those of DCT or our or its respective Subsidiaries, including the Subsidiary Guarantors, for the benefit of the holders of the notes or to surrender any right or power conferred upon us, DCT or our or its respective Subsidiaries, including the Subsidiary Guarantors, in the indenture or in the notes;

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to add Events of Default for the benefit of the holders of the notes;

to amend or supplement any provisions of the indenture; provided, that no amendment or supplement shall materially adversely affect the interests of the holders of any notes then outstanding;

to secure the notes;

to provide for the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee or facilitate the administration of the trusts under the indenture by more than one trustee;

to provide for rights of holders of the notes if any consolidation, merger or sale of all or substantially all of our property or assets occurs;

to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency in the indenture; provided, that the action shall not adversely affect the interests of holders of the notes in any material respect;

to provide for the issuance of additional notes in accordance with the limitations set forth in the indenture;

to supplement any of the provisions of the indenture to the extent necessary to permit or facilitate defeasance and discharge of any series of the notes; provided, that the action shall not adversely affect the interests of the holders of the notes in any material respect;

to make any amendment to the provisions of the indenture relating to the transfer and legending of notes; provided, however, that such amendment does not materially and adversely affect the rights of holders to transfer notes;

to comply with any requirement of the SEC in order to effect or maintain the qualification of the indenture under the Trust Indenture Act;

to conform the text of the indenture, any guarantee or the notes to any provision of the description thereof set forth in the final offering memorandum dated October 2, 2013 relating to the notes to the extent that such provision in the final offering memorandum was intended to be a verbatim recitation of a provision in this indenture, such guarantee or the notes; or

to add additional guarantors for the benefit of holders of the notes.

In addition, without the consent of any holder of the notes, DCT, or a subsidiary thereof, may directly assume the due and punctual payment of the principal of, any premium and interest on all the notes and the performance of every covenant of the indenture on our part to be performed or observed. Upon any assumption, DCT or such subsidiary shall succeed us, and be substituted for and may exercise every right and power of ours, under the indenture with the same effect as if DCT or such subsidiary had been the issuer of the notes, and the Operating Partnership shall be released from all obligations and covenants with respect to the notes. No assumption shall be permitted unless DCT has delivered to the trustee (1) an officer's certificate and an opinion of counsel, stating, among other things, that the guarantee and all other covenants of DCT in the indenture remain in full force and effect and (2) an opinion of counsel that the holders of the notes shall have no materially adverse U.S. federal tax consequences as a result of the assumption, and that, if any notes are then listed on the New York Stock Exchange, that the notes shall not be delisted as a result of the assumption.

In determining whether the holders of the requisite principal amount of outstanding notes have concurred in any direction, consent, waiver or other action thereunder or whether a quorum is present at a meeting of holders of the notes, the indenture provides that notes owned by us, DCT, any Subsidiary Guarantor or any of our or their respective subsidiaries or affiliates shall be disregarded.

The indenture contains provisions for convening meetings of the holders of the notes. A meeting will be permitted to be called at any time by the trustee, and also, upon request, by us, DCT or the holders of at least 10% in principal amount of the outstanding notes, in any case upon notice given as provided in the indenture. Except for any consent that must be given by the holder of each note affected by certain modifications and

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amendments of the indenture, any resolution presented at a meeting or adjourned meeting duly reconvened at which a quorum is present will be permitted to be adopted by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding notes; provided, however, that, except as referred to above, any resolution with respect to any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action that may be made, given or taken by the holders of a specified percentage, which is less than a majority in principal amount of the outstanding notes may be adopted at a meeting or adjourned meeting duly reconvened at which a quorum is present by the affirmative vote of the holders of the specified percentage in principal amount of the outstanding notes.

Any resolution passed or decision taken at any meeting of holders of the notes duly held in accordance with the indenture will be binding on all holders of the notes. The quorum at any meeting called to adopt a resolution, and at any adjourned meeting duly reconvened, will be holders holding or representing a majority in principal amount of the outstanding notes; provided, however, that if any action is to be taken at the meeting with respect to a consent, waiver or other action which may be made, given or taken by the holders of not less than a specified percentage in principal amount of the outstanding notes, holders holding or representing the specified percentage in principal amount of the outstanding notes will constitute a quorum.

Trustee

U.S. Bank National Association will initially act as the trustee, registrar, exchange agent and paying agent for the notes, subject to replacement at the Operating Partnership's option as provided in the indenture.

If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the trustee will be required to use the degree of care and skill of a prudent person in the conduct of its own affairs under the circumstances. The trustee will become obligated to exercise any of its powers under the indenture at the request of any of the holders of the required percentage under the indenture of holders of the notes only after those holders have offered the trustee indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it.

U.S. Bank National Association is one of our creditors. As a result, it is subject to limitations on its rights to obtain payment of claims or to realize on some property received for any such claim, as security or otherwise. The trustee is permitted to engage in other transactions with the Operating Partnership. If, however, it acquires any conflicting interest, it must eliminate that conflict or resign.

No Personal Liability of Directors, Officers, Employees and Shareholders

No past, present or future director, officer, employee, incorporator, shareholder, limited partner, member, manager or agent of DCT, the Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries or of any successor thereto, as such, will have any liability for any of the obligations of the Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries or of any successor thereto under the notes, the indenture, or any guarantee or for any claim based on or otherwise in respect of such obligations or their creation. Each holder of notes by accepting a note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for issuance of the notes. The waiver may not be effective to waive liabilities under the federal securities laws.

Book-Entry, Delivery and Form

Except as set forth below, the notes will be issued in registered, global form in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof, or the Global Notes.

Except as set forth below, the Global Notes may be transferred, in whole and not in part, only to another nominee of DTC or to a successor of DTC or its nominee. Beneficial interests in the Global Notes may not be exchanged for definitive notes in registered certificated form, or Certificated Notes, except in the limited circumstances described below. See Exchange of Global Notes for Certificated Notes. Except in the limited circumstances described below, owners of beneficial interests in the Global Notes will not be entitled to receive physical delivery of notes in certificated form.

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Depository Procedures

The following description of the operations and procedures of DTC is provided solely as a matter of convenience. These operations and procedures are solely within the control of DTC and is subject to change by them. We take no responsibility for these operations and procedures and urge investors to contact the system or their participants directly to discuss these matters.

DTC has advised us that DTC is a limited-purpose trust company created to hold securities for its participating organizations, collectively, the Participants, and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of transactions in those securities between the Participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its Participants. The Participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. Access to DTC's system is also available to other entities such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Participant, either directly or indirectly, collectively, the Indirect Participants. Persons who are not Participants may beneficially own securities held by or on behalf of DTC only through the Participants or the Indirect Participants. The ownership interests in, and transfers of ownership interests in, each security held by or on behalf of DTC are recorded on the records of the Participants and Indirect Participants.

DTC has also advised us that, pursuant to procedures established by it:

- (1) upon deposit of the Global Notes, DTC will credit the accounts of the Participants with portions of the principal amount of the Global Notes; and
- (2) ownership of these interests in the Global Notes will be shown on, and the transfer of ownership of these interests will be effected only through, records maintained by DTC (with respect to the Participants) or by the Participants and the Indirect Participants (with respect to other owners of beneficial interest in the Global Notes).

Investors in the Global Notes who are Participants may hold their interests therein directly through DTC. Investors in the Global Notes who are not Participants may hold their interests therein indirectly through organizations (including Euroclear and Clearstream) which are Participants. The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery in definitive form of securities that they own. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Note to such persons will be limited to that extent. Because DTC can act only on behalf of the Participants, which in turn act on behalf of the Indirect Participants, the ability of a person having beneficial interests in a Global Note to pledge such interests to persons that do not participate in the DTC system, or otherwise take actions in respect of such interests, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate evidencing such interests.

Except as described below, owners of interests in the Global Notes will not have notes registered in their names, will not receive physical delivery of notes in certificated form and will not be considered the registered owners or holders thereof under the indenture governing the notes for any purpose.

Payments in respect of the principal of, and interest and premium, if any, on, a Global Note registered in the name of DTC or its nominee will be payable to DTC in its capacity as the registered holder under the indenture governing the notes. Under the terms of the indenture, we and the trustee will treat the persons in whose names the notes, including the Global Notes, are registered as the owners of the notes for the purpose of receiving payments and for all other purposes. Consequently, neither we, DCT, the trustee nor any agent of us or the trustee has or will have any

responsibility or liability for:

- (1) any aspect of DTC's records or any Participant's or Indirect Participant's records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interest in the Global Notes or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any of DTC's records or any Participant's or Indirect Participant's records relating to the beneficial ownership interests in the Global Notes; or
- (2) any other matter relating to the actions and practices of DTC or any of its Participants or Indirect Participants.

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DTC has advised us that its current practice, upon receipt of any payment in respect of securities such as the notes (including principal and interest), is to credit the accounts of the relevant Participants with the payment on the payment date unless DTC has reason to believe that it will not receive payment on such payment date. Each relevant Participant is credited with an amount proportionate to its beneficial ownership of an interest in the principal amount of the relevant security as shown on the records of DTC. Payments by the Participants and the Indirect Participants to the beneficial owners of Notes will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices and will be the responsibility of the Participants or the Indirect Participants and will not be the responsibility of DTC, the trustee or us. Neither we nor the trustee will be liable for any delay by DTC or any of the Participants or the Indirect Participants in identifying the beneficial owners of the notes, and we and the trustee may conclusively rely on and will be protected in relying on instructions from DTC or its nominee for all purposes.

DTC has advised us that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a holder of notes only at the direction of one or more Participants to whose account DTC has credited the interests in the Global Notes and only in respect of such portion of the aggregate principal amount at maturity of the notes as to which such Participant or Participants has or have given such direction. However, if there is an Event of Default under the notes, DTC reserves the right to exchange the Global Notes for legended notes in certificated form, and to distribute such notes to its Participants.

Exchange of Global Notes for Certificated Notes

A Global Note is exchangeable for a Certificated Note if:

DTC (a) notifies us that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for the Global Notes or (b) has ceased to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in either case, we fail to appoint a successor depository;

we, at our option, notify the trustee in writing that we elect to cause the issuance of Certificated Notes; or

upon request from DTC if there has occurred and is continuing a default of Event of Default with respect to the notes.

In addition, beneficial interests in a Global Note may be exchanged for Certificated Notes upon prior written notice given to the trustee by or on behalf of DTC in accordance with the indenture. In all cases, Certificated Notes delivered in exchange for any Global Note or beneficial interests in a Global Note will be registered in the names, and issued in any approved denominations, requested by or on behalf of the depository (in accordance with its customary procedures).

Exchange of Certificated Notes for Global Notes

Certificated Notes may be exchanged for beneficial interests in any Global Notes.

Same Day Settlement and Payment

We will make payments in respect of the notes represented by the Global Notes (including principal, premium, if any, and interest) by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the accounts specified by DTC or its nominee. We will make all payments of interest with respect to Certificated Notes by check mailed to the address of the person entitled

thereto as it appears in the note register, except that a holder of Certificated Notes in the aggregate principal amount of more than \$2.0 million may request by written notice to us that we pay interest by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the account specified by such holder in such notice in which case we may, at our option, pay interest by wire transfer of immediately available funds to such account. The notes represented by the Global Notes are expected to trade in DTC's Same-Day Funds Settlement System, and any permitted secondary market trading activity in such Notes will, therefore, be required by DTC to be settled in immediately available funds. We expect that secondary trading in any Certificated Notes will also be settled in immediately available funds.

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Notices

Except as otherwise provided in the indenture, notices to holders of the notes will be given by mail to the addresses of holders of the notes as they appear in the note register; provided that notices given to holders holding notes in book-entry form may be given through the facilities of DTC or any successor depository.

Governing Law

The indenture, the notes and the guarantee will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

Definitions

As used in the indenture, the following terms have the respective meanings specified below:

Acquired Debt means Debt of a person:

existing at the time such person is merged or consolidated with or into the Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries or becomes a Subsidiary of ours; or

assumed by the Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries in connection with the acquisition of assets from such person.

Acquired Debt shall be deemed to be incurred on the date the acquired person is merged or consolidated with or into us or any of our Subsidiaries or becomes a Subsidiary of ours or the date of the related acquisition, as the case may be.

Annual Debt Service Charge means, for any period, the interest expense of the Operating Partnership and its Subsidiaries for such period, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, including, without duplication (1) all amortization of debt discount and premium; (2) all accrued interest; (3) all capitalized interest; and (4) the interest component of capitalized lease obligations, but excluding (i) interest reserves funded from the proceeds of any loan, (ii) amortization of deferred financing costs, (iii) prepayment penalties, (iv) swap ineffectiveness charges and (v) any expense resulting from the discounting of any indebtedness in connection with the application of purchase accounting in connection with any acquisition.

Consolidated Income Available for Debt Service for any period means Consolidated Net Income of the Operating Partnership and its Subsidiaries for such period, plus amounts which have been deducted and minus amounts which have been added for, without duplication:

interest expense on Debt;

provision for taxes;

amortization of debt discount, premium and deferred financing costs;

the income or expense attributable to transactions involving derivative instruments that do not qualify for hedge accounting in accordance with GAAP;

losses and gains on sales or other dispositions of properties and other investments, property valuation losses and impairment charges;

depreciation and amortization;

gains or losses on early extinguishment of debt;

all prepayment penalties and all costs or fees incurred in connection with any debt financing or amendment thereto, acquisition, disposition, recapitalization or similar transaction (regardless of whether such transaction is completed);

the effect of any non-recurring or other unusual non-cash items; and

amortization of deferred charges;

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all determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP. Consolidated Income Available for Debt Service will be adjusted, without duplication, to give pro forma effect in the case of any assets having been placed in service or removed from service from the beginning of the period to the date of determination, to include or exclude, as the case may be, any Consolidated Income Available for Debt Service earned or eliminated as a result of the placement of the assets in service or removal of the assets from service as if the placement of the assets in service or removal of the assets from service occurred at the beginning of the period.

Consolidated Net Income for any period means the amount of net income (or loss) of the Operating Partnership and its Subsidiaries for such period, excluding, without duplication:

extraordinary items; and

the portion of net income (but not losses) of the Operating Partnership and its Subsidiaries allocable to noncontrolling interests in unconsolidated persons to the extent that cash dividends or distributions have not actually been received by the Operating Partnership or one of its subsidiaries, all determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

Debt means, with respect to any person, any indebtedness of such person, whether or not contingent, in respect of (without duplication):

- (i) indebtedness for borrowed money evidenced by bonds, notes, debentures or similar instruments;
- (ii) indebtedness secured by any Lien on any property or asset owned by such person, but only to the extent of the lesser of (a) the amount of indebtedness so secured and (b) the fair market value (determined in good faith by us) of the property subject to such Lien;
- (iii) reimbursement obligations in connection with any letters of credit actually issued (other than letters of credit issued to provide credit enhancement or support with respect to other of such person's or such person's Subsidiaries' indebtedness otherwise reflected as Debt under this definition) or unconditional obligations to pay the deferred and unpaid purchase price of property, which purchase price is due more than six months after the date of placing such property in service or taking delivery and title thereto, except any such purchase price that constitutes an accrued expense or trade payable; or
- (iv) any lease of property by such person as lessee which is required to be reflected on such person's balance sheet as a capitalized lease in accordance with GAAP,

in the case of items of indebtedness under (i) through (iii) above to the extent that any such items (other than letters of credit) would appear as liabilities on such person's balance sheet in accordance with GAAP; provided, however, that the term Debt will (1) include, to the extent not otherwise included, any obligation of such person to be liable for, or to pay, as obligor, guarantor or otherwise (other than for purposes of collection in the ordinary course of business) Debt of the types referred to above of another person other than obligations to be liable for the Debt of another person solely as a result of non-recourse carveouts (it being understood that Debt shall be deemed to be incurred by such

person whenever such person shall create, assume, guarantee or otherwise become liable in respect thereof) and (2) exclude any such indebtedness (or obligation referenced in clause (1) above) that has been the subject of an in substance defeasance in accordance with GAAP and Intercompany Debt that is subordinate in right of payment to the notes (or an obligation to be liable for, or to pay, Intercompany Debt that is subordinate in right of payment to the notes referenced in clause (1) above).

GAAP means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America in effect as of the issue date, including those set forth in the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board or in such other statements by such other entity as approved by a significant segment of the accounting profession.

Intercompany Debt means, as of any date, indebtedness and liabilities for borrowed money, secured or unsecured, to which the only parties are the Operating Partnership, DCT or any Subsidiary of either of them as of that date.

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Lien means a mortgage, deed of trust, deed to secure Debt, pledge, security interest, assignment for collateral purposes, deposit arrangement, or other security agreement, excluding any right of setoff but including, without limitation, any conditional sale or other title retention agreement, any financing lease having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing, and any other like agreement granting or conveying a security interest.

Significant Subsidiary means any Subsidiary or group of Subsidiaries that meets either of the following conditions: (1) DCT and its other Subsidiaries' investments in and advances to the Subsidiary exceed 10% of DCT's and its Subsidiaries' total assets consolidated (determined in accordance with GAAP) as of the end of the most recent fiscal quarter for which an annual or quarterly report has been furnished to holders of the notes or filed with the SEC under the Exchange Act; or (2) DCT and its other Subsidiaries' proportionate share of the total assets (after intercompany eliminations) of the subsidiary exceeds 10% of DCT's and its Subsidiaries' total assets consolidated (determined in accordance with GAAP) as of the end of the most recent fiscal quarter for which an annual or quarterly report has been furnished to holders of the notes or filed with the SEC under the Exchange Act.

Subsidiary means a corporation, partnership association, joint venture, trust, limited liability company or other business entity which is required to be consolidated with the Operating Partnership in accordance with GAAP.

Total Assets means the sum of, without duplication:

Undepreciated Real Estate Assets; and

all other assets (excluding accounts receivable and non-real estate intangible assets) of the Operating Partnership and its Subsidiaries;
all determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

Total Unencumbered Assets means, as of any date, the sum of, without duplication:

Undepreciated Real Estate Assets that are not subject to a Lien securing Debt; and

all other assets (excluding accounts receivable and non-real estate intangible assets) of the Operating Partnership and its Subsidiaries that are not subject to a Lien securing Debt,
all determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP; provided, however, that, in determining Total Unencumbered Assets as a percentage of outstanding Unsecured Debt for purposes of the covenant set forth above in **Certain Covenants** Maintenance of total unencumbered assets, all investments by the Operating Partnership and its Subsidiaries in unconsolidated joint ventures, unconsolidated limited partnerships, unconsolidated limited liability companies and other unconsolidated entities shall be excluded from Total Unencumbered Assets to the extent that such investments would have otherwise been included.

Undepreciated Real Estate Assets means, as of any date, the cost (original acquisition cost plus capital improvements) of real estate assets and related intangibles of the Operating Partnership and its Subsidiaries on such date, before depreciation and amortization, all determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

Unsecured Debt means Debt of the Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries which is not secured by a Lien on any property or assets of the Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries.

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This summary supplements and should be read together with the general discussion in the accompanying prospectus of the tax considerations relating to our qualification as a REIT under the title "Federal Income Tax Considerations" and the discussion of the tax considerations relating to the ownership and disposition of fixed rate debt securities described in the accompanying prospectus under the title "Federal Income Tax Considerations Taxation of Holders of Certain Fixed Rate Debt Securities." The discussion under the title "Federal Income Tax Considerations Taxation of Holders of Certain Fixed Rate Debt Securities" in the accompanying prospectus, as supplemented by the discussion below, describes for general information only the material United States federal income tax consequences of owning and disposing of the debt securities offered pursuant to this prospectus supplement. To the extent any information set forth under the title "Federal Income Tax Considerations" in the accompanying prospectus is inconsistent with this supplemental information, this supplemental information will apply and supersede the information in the accompanying prospectus. This supplemental information is provided on the same basis and subject to the same qualifications as are set forth in the first two paragraphs under the title "Federal Income Tax Considerations" in the accompanying prospectus as if those paragraphs were set forth in this prospectus supplement.

Taxation of Holders of Certain Fixed Rate Debt Securities***Taxation of U.S. Holders******Interest and Original Issue Discount***

This discussion assumes the notes will be issued with less than a statutory *de minimis* amount of original issue discount for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In addition, this discussion is limited to persons purchasing the notes for cash at original issue and at their original issue price within the meaning of Section 1273 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (*i.e.*, the first price at which a substantial amount of the notes is sold to the public for cash).

Effect of contingent interest

We may be required to pay additional interest on a note in certain circumstances described above, e.g., under the heading "Description of Notes Redemption of the Notes at the Option of the Operating Partnership." Because we believe the likelihood that we will be obligated to make any such additional payment on the notes is remote, we are taking the position (and this discussion assumes) that the notes will not be treated as contingent payment debt instruments. Our determination that the notes are not contingent payment debt instruments is binding on holders unless they disclose their contrary positions to the IRS in the manner required by applicable Treasury Regulations. However, our determination that the notes are not contingent payment debt instruments is not binding on the IRS. If the IRS were to successfully challenge this position, a U.S. holder generally would be required to accrue ordinary income on its debt securities in excess of stated interest, and to treat any income realized on the taxable disposition of a note as ordinary income rather than capital gain. The remainder of this discussion assumes that the new notes are not treated as contingent payment debt instruments.

Qualified reopening

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the notes will be fungible with our outstanding 4.500% Senior Notes due 2023 if the notes issued in this offering (the "new notes" or, unless otherwise indicated, the "notes") are treated as issued in a "qualified reopening" of the existing notes. The new notes will be treated as issued in a "qualified offering" if (i) the new notes are issued with no more than a *de minimis* amount of original issue discount, and (ii) either the existing notes are treated as "publicly traded" or the new notes are issued for cash to persons unrelated to the Operating Partnership for an

arm's length price. We believe the new notes will meet the foregoing tests and therefore will be treated as issued in a qualified reopening of the existing notes. Consequently, the new notes will

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be part of the same issue as the existing notes, and will have the same issue date and the same issue price as the existing notes. For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the issue date of the existing notes (and, thus, the new notes) is October 9, 2013 and the issue price of the existing notes (and, thus, the new notes) is 99.038% of their principal amount, which was the initial offering price for the existing notes. If the notes were not issued in a qualified reopening, the timing, amount and character of the income recognized with respect to the notes could differ from that described herein and in the accompanying prospectus, and the notes might not be fungible with the existing notes. The remainder of this discussion assumes that the notes will be treated as part of the same issue as the existing notes.

Pre-Issuance Accrued Interest

A portion of the amount paid for the notes will be allocable to interest that accrued prior to the date the notes are purchased. We intend to take the position that on the first interest payment date for the notes, a portion of the interest paid on the notes in an amount equal to the pre-issuance accrued interest from October 15, 2016 to the settlement date (pre-issuance accrued interest) will be treated as a return of such pre-issuance accrued interest and not as a payment of interest on the notes. Amounts treated as a return of pre-issuance accrued interest should not be taxable when received by you but should reduce your adjusted tax basis in the notes by a corresponding amount (in the same manner as would a payment of principal). You should consult your tax advisor concerning the tax treatment of pre-issuance accrued interest.

Amortizable Bond Premium

If you acquire a note for an amount that is greater than the stated principal amount (excluding any amounts attributable to pre-issuance accrued interest) of the note, you will be considered to have acquired such note with amortizable bond premium. Generally, you may elect to amortize such bond premium using a constant yield method over the remaining term of the note as an offset to interest when includible in income under your method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Any such election shall apply to all debt instruments (other than debt instruments the interest on which is excludable from gross income) held at the beginning of the first taxable year to which the election applies or thereafter acquired, and is irrevocable without the consent of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. If you elect to amortize bond premium, you must reduce your tax basis in the notes by the amount of the premium used to offset interest income as set forth above. If you do not elect to amortize bond premium, the amount of the premium will decrease the gain or increase the loss otherwise recognized on the disposition of a notes. If you acquire a note for an amount that is greater than the stated principal amount (excluding any amounts attributable to pre-issuance accrued interest) of the note, you should consult with your tax advisors concerning the tax treatment of amortizable bond premium.

Disposition of the Notes

A U.S. holder's adjusted tax basis in a note generally will equal the cost of the note to such U.S. holder reduced by (i) the amount of any payments that are not qualified stated interest payments (including any payment of pre-issuance accrued interest on a note as described above), and (ii) the amount of any amortizable bond premium applied to reduce interest on the note.

Taxation of Non-U.S. Holders

Interest and Original Issue Discount

If a Non-U.S. Holder does not satisfy the requirements set forth in the accompanying prospectus under the title "Taxation of Non-U.S. Holders of Debt Securities - Interest and Original Issue Discount," interest paid to such Non-U.S.

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Holder generally will be subject to a 30% U.S. federal withholding tax (unless, as described below under U.S. Trade or Business, interest on the note is effectively connected with the conduct by the Non-U.S. Holder of a trade or business in the United States and applicable certification requirements are satisfied). Such rate may be reduced or eliminated under a tax treaty between the United States and the Non-U.S.

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Holder's country of residence. To claim a reduction or exemption under a tax treaty, a Non-U.S. Holder must generally complete and provide us with an applicable IRS Form W-8 (i.e., IRS Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E) (or applicable successor form) and claim the reduction or exemption on the form.

U.S. Trade or Business

If a Non-U.S. Holder is engaged in a trade or business in the United States (and, if an applicable tax treaty so provides, maintains a permanent establishment within the United States) and receives interest on a note that is effectively connected with the conduct of such trade or business (and, if an applicable tax treaty so provides, attributable to such permanent establishment) then, although the Non-U.S. Holder will be exempt from the 30% U.S. federal withholding tax provided applicable certification requirements are satisfied, the Non-U.S. Holder will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on such interest on a net income basis in generally the same manner as a U.S. holder. In addition, in certain circumstances, a Non-U.S. Holder that is a foreign corporation may be subject to a 30% (or, if a tax treaty applies, such lower rate as provided) branch profits tax.

Additional U.S. Federal Income Tax Withholding Rules

FATCA withholding does not apply with respect to grandfathered obligations issued before July 1, 2014, unless they are treated as significantly modified (within the meaning of the Treasury Regulations) on or after such date. In addition, obligations that are issued after July 1, 2014 in a qualified reopening of obligations that were issued before July 1, 2014 are likewise grandfathered from application of FATCA. As described above under *Taxation of U.S. Holders* *Qualified reopening*, we believe that the notes will be treated as a qualified reopening of our outstanding 4.500% Senior Notes due 2023 issued on October 9, 2013, in which case payments of interest on the notes and the gross proceeds from a sale of the notes will not be subject to FATCA withholding. We encourage you to consult with your tax advisor regarding FATCA compliance if you hold the notes through a non-U.S. intermediary or are a Non-U.S. Holder.

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Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the underwriting agreement between us and the underwriters named below, for whom J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC are acting as representatives, dated the date of this prospectus supplement, we have agreed to sell to each of the underwriters, and each of the underwriters has severally and not jointly agreed to purchase from us, the principal amount of notes set forth opposite its name below.

Underwriters	Principal Amount of Notes
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	\$
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.	
Wells Fargo Securities, LLC	
Total	\$

The underwriters have agreed, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the underwriting agreement, to purchase all of the principal amount of the notes if any of the notes are purchased.

The underwriters propose to offer the notes directly to the public at the public offering price specified on the cover page to this prospectus supplement and may also offer the notes to certain dealers at the respective public offering prices less a concession not to exceed % of the principal amount of the notes. The underwriters may allow, and these dealers may reallow, a concession to certain brokers and dealers not to exceed % of the principal amount of the notes. After the initial offering of the notes, the underwriters may change the public offering price and other selling terms.

The following table shows the underwriting discount that we are to pay the underwriters in connection with this offering (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount of the notes):

Per Note	Payable by the Operating Partnership
	%

There is no public market for the notes and we currently have no intention to apply to list the notes on any securities exchange or automated dealer quotation system. The underwriters may make a market in the notes after the completion of this offering, but will not be obligated to make a market in the notes and may discontinue such market making at any time at their sole discretion. No assurance can be given as to the liquidity of the trading market for the notes or that an active public market for the notes will develop. If an active public trading market for the notes does not develop, the market price and liquidity of the notes may be adversely affected.

We estimate our expenses for this offering, other than the underwriting discount, to be approximately \$0.5 million, and will be payable by us.

We will agree to indemnify the several underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or to contribute to payments which the underwriters may be required to make in respect thereof.

In order to facilitate the offering, the underwriters may engage in transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the price of the notes. Specifically, the underwriters may over-allot in connection with the offering, creating short positions in the notes for their own accounts. In addition, to cover over-allotments or to stabilize the price of the notes, the underwriters may bid for, and purchase, notes in the open market. The underwriters may reclaim selling concessions allowed to an underwriter or dealer for distributing notes in the

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offering if the underwriters repurchase previously distributed notes in transactions to cover short positions, in stabilization transactions or otherwise. Any of these activities may stabilize or maintain the market price of the notes above independent market levels. The underwriters are not required to engage in these activities, and may end any of these activities at any time without notice.

The underwriters also may impose a penalty bid. This occurs when a particular underwriter repays to the underwriters a portion of the underwriting discount received by it because the representatives have repurchased notes sold by or for the account of such underwriter in stabilizing or short covering transactions.

In general, purchases of a security for the purpose of stabilization or to reduce a short position could cause the price of the security to be higher than it might be in the absence of such purchases. The imposition of a penalty bid might also have an effect on the price of a security to the extent that it were to discourage resales of the security.

Neither we nor any underwriter makes any representation or prediction as to the direction or magnitude of any effect that the transactions described above may have on the price of the notes. In addition, neither we nor any underwriter makes any representation that the underwriters will engage in such transactions or that such transactions once commenced will not be discontinued without notice.

Other Relationships

The underwriters and their respective affiliates are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, financial advisory, investment management, investment research, principal investment, hedging, financing and brokerage activities. Certain of the underwriters and their affiliates have engaged and may in the future engage in transactions with, and, from time to time, have performed and may perform investment banking, corporate trust and/or commercial banking services for, us and certain of our affiliates in the ordinary course of business, for which they have received and will receive customary compensation.

In the ordinary course of their various business activities, the underwriters and their respective affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments including serving as counterparties to certain derivative and hedging arrangements and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities) and financial instruments (including bank loans) for their own account and for the accounts of their customers, and such investment and securities activities may involve securities and/or instruments of the issuer or its affiliates. Certain of the underwriters or their affiliates that have a lending relationship with us may hedge their credit exposure to us consistent with their customary risk management policies. These underwriters and their affiliates could hedge such exposure by entering into transactions which consist of either the purchase of credit default swaps or the creation of short positions in our securities, including potentially the notes offered hereby. Any such credit default swaps or short positions could adversely affect future trading prices of the notes offered hereby. The underwriters and their respective affiliates may also make investment recommendations and/or publish or express independent research views with respect to such securities or instruments and may at any time hold, or recommend to clients that they acquire, long and/or short positions in such securities and instruments.

In particular, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC is a sales agent under an equity distribution agreement with us, pursuant to which we can issue and sell up to 5.0 million shares of our common stock from time to time. We have entered into similar equity distribution agreements with other sales agents. During the year ended December 31, 2016, we raised approximately \$107.0 million in net proceeds from the issuance of our common stock under these equity distribution agreements and approximately 2.5 million shares remain available to be issued.

On August 30, 2007, we entered into a joint venture agreement with Industrial Acquisition LLC, an affiliate of J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, to form DCT/SPF Industrial Operating LLC. As of December 31, 2016, this joint venture owned approximately \$273.8 million of real estate assets based on undepreciated cost. This joint venture

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was funded with an equity contribution from Industrial Acquisition LLC to the joint venture (approximately 80% of the joint venture's equity capitalization) and an equity contribution from us to the joint venture (approximately 20% of the joint venture's equity capitalization). Our actual ownership percentage may vary depending on amounts of capital contributed and the timing of contributions and distributions.

Additionally, affiliates of J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC are lenders, an affiliate of Wells Fargo Securities, LLC is a syndication agent, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC is a joint lead arranger and joint bookrunner and affiliates of J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. are documentation agents under our credit and term loan agreement, which has an unsecured revolving credit facility capacity of \$400.0 million that matures in April 2019 and a term loan in two tranches, one having an outstanding balance of \$125.0 million that matures in April 2020, and the other having an outstanding balance of \$25.0 million that matures in April 2017. Since we intend to temporarily use a portion of the net proceeds from this offering to repay amounts outstanding under the unsecured revolving credit facility, these lenders will receive a portion of the net proceeds from this offering through the repayment of such borrowings. The aggregate amount received by the underwriters and their affiliates, as applicable, from the repayment of borrowings may exceed 5% of the proceeds of this offering (not including the underwriting discount).

Selling Restrictions

Notice to Prospective Investors in the European Economic Area

This prospectus supplement has been prepared on the basis that any offer of notes in any Member State of the European Economic Area (the "EEA") will be made pursuant to an exemption under the Prospectus Directive from the requirement to publish an Offering Memorandum for offers of notes. Accordingly any person making or intending to make an offer in that Member State of notes which are the subject of the offering contemplated in this prospectus supplement may only do so in circumstances in which no obligation arises for the Company or any of the underwriters to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive, in each case, in relation to such offer. Neither the Company nor the underwriters have authorized, nor do they authorize, the making of any offer of notes in circumstances in which an obligation arises for the Company or the underwriters to publish or supplement a prospectus for such offer. Neither the Company nor the underwriters have authorized, nor do they authorize, the making of any offer of notes through any financial intermediary, other than offers made by the underwriters, which constitute the final placement of the notes contemplated in this prospectus supplement.

In relation to each Member State of the EEA, each underwriter has represented and agreed that, with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive was implemented in that Member State (the "Relevant Implementation Date"), it has not made and will not make an offer of notes which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this prospectus supplement to the public in that Member State, except that it may, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, make an offer of such notes to the public in that Member State:

to any legal entity which is a qualified investor as a defined in the Prospectus Directive;

to fewer than 150 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive), as permitted under the Prospectus Directive subject to obtaining the prior consent of the underwriters for any such offer; or

in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive, provided that no such offer of notes shall require the Company or any underwriter to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospective Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

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For purposes of the foregoing, (i) the expression an offer of notes to the public in relation to the notes in any Member State means the communication in any form and by means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the notes to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe for the notes, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State; (ii) Prospectus Directive means Directive 2003/71/EC (and amendments thereto, including the 2010 PD Amending Directive, to the extent implemented in the Member State), and includes any relevant implementing measure in each Member State; and (iii) 2010 PD Amending Directive means Directive 2010/73/EU.

Notice to Prospective Investors in the United Kingdom

This document is for distribution only to persons who (i) have professional experience in matters relating to investments falling within Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005 (as amended, the Financial Promotion Order), (ii) are persons falling within Article 49(2)(a) to (d) (high net worth companies, unincorporated associations etc.) of the Financial Promotion Order, (iii) are outside the United Kingdom, or (iv) are persons to whom an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the FSMA)) in connection with the issue or sale of any securities may otherwise lawfully be communicated or caused to be communicated (all such persons together being referred to as relevant persons). This document is directed only at relevant persons and must not be acted on or relied on by persons who are not relevant persons. Any investment or investment activity to which this document relates is available only to relevant persons and will be engaged in only with relevant persons.

Each underwriter has represented and agreed that it:

has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of notes in circumstances in which Section 21 (1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Company;

has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the notes in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

Notice to Prospective Investors in France

Neither this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus nor any other offering material relating to the notes described in this prospectus supplement has been submitted to the clearance procedures of the *Autorité des Marchés Financiers* or of the competent authority of another member state of the European Economic Area and notified to the *Autorité des Marchés Financiers*. The notes have not been offered or sold and will not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, to the public in France. Neither this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus nor any other offering material relating to the notes has been or will be:

released, issued, distributed or caused to be released, issued or distributed to the public in France; or

used in connection with any offer for subscription or sale of the notes to the public in France.

Such offers, sales and distributions will be made in France only:

to qualified investors (*investisseurs qualifiés*) and/or to a restricted circle of investors (*cercle restreint d'investisseurs*), in each case investing for their own account, all as defined in, and in accordance with articles L.411-2, D.411-1, D.411-2, D.734-1, D.744-1, D.754-1 and D.764-1 of the French *Code monétaire et financier*;

to investment services providers authorized to engage in portfolio management on behalf of third parties; or

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in a transaction that, in accordance with article L.411-2-II-1^o-or-2^o-or 3^o of the French *Code monétaire et financier* and article 211-2 of the General Regulations (*Règlement Général*) of the *Autorité des Marchés Financiers*, does not constitute a public offer (*appel public à l'épargne*).

The notes may be resold directly or indirectly, only in compliance with articles L.411-1, L.411-2, L.412-1 and L.621-8 through L.621-8-3 of the French *Code monétaire et financier*.

Notice to Prospective Investors in Switzerland

We have not and will not register with the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FINMA) as a foreign collective investment scheme pursuant to Article 119 of the Federal Act on Collective Investment Scheme of 23 June 2006, as amended (CISA), and accordingly the notes being offered pursuant to this prospectus have not and will not be approved, and may not be licenseable, with FINMA. Therefore, the notes have not been authorized for distribution by FINMA as a foreign collective investment scheme pursuant to Article 119 CISA and the notes offered hereby may not be offered to the public (as this term is defined in Article 3 CISA) in or from Switzerland. The notes may solely be offered to qualified investors, as this term is defined in Article 10 CISA, and in the circumstances set out in Article 3 of the Ordinance on Collective Investment Scheme of 22 November 2006, as amended (CISO), such that there is no public offer. Investors, however, do not benefit from protection under CISA or CISO or supervision by FINMA. This prospectus and any other materials relating to the notes are strictly personal and confidential to each offeree and do not constitute an offer to any other person. This prospectus may only be used by those qualified investors to whom it has been handed out in connection with the offer described herein and may neither directly or indirectly be distributed or made available to any person or entity other than its recipients. It may not be used in connection with any other offer and shall in particular not be copied and/or distributed to the public in Switzerland or from Switzerland. This prospectus does not constitute an issue prospectus as that term is understood pursuant to Article 652a and/or 1156 of the Swiss Federal Code of Obligations. We have not applied for a listing of the notes on the SIX Swiss Exchange or any other regulated securities market in Switzerland, and consequently, the information presented in this prospectus does not necessarily comply with the information standards set out in the listing rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange and corresponding prospectus schemes annexed to the listing rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange.

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LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters with respect to the validity of the notes offered hereby will be passed upon for us by Goodwin Procter LLP. Certain legal matters related to this offering are being passed upon for the underwriters by Hogan Lovells US LLP.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of DCT Industrial Trust Inc. and DCT Industrial Operating Partnership appearing in DCT Industrial Trust Inc.'s and DCT Industrial Operating Partnership's Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2016 (including schedules appearing therein), and the effectiveness of DCT Industrial Trust Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016 have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their reports thereon, included therein and incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements are incorporated herein by reference in reliance upon such reports given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

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DCT Industrial Trust Inc. may offer to sell from time to time debt securities, common stock, preferred stock, stock purchase contracts, depository shares, units and warrants. The debt securities of DCT Industrial Trust Inc. may be convertible into common stock or preferred stock of DCT Industrial Trust Inc. and may be guaranteed by DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP. The preferred stock of DCT Industrial Trust Inc. may either be sold separately or represented by depository shares and may be convertible into common stock or preferred stock of another series. DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP may offer to sell from time to time debt securities, including its 4.500% Senior Notes due 2023, which we refer to as the 2023 Notes, which may be guaranteed by DCT Industrial Trust Inc.

The debt securities, common stock, preferred stock, stock purchase contracts, depository shares, units and warrants of DCT Industrial Trust Inc. and the debt securities of DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP may be offered separately or together, in multiple series, in amounts, at prices and on terms that will be set forth in one or more prospectus supplements to this prospectus. DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP may guarantee the payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on debt securities issued by DCT Industrial Trust Inc. to the extent and on the terms described herein and in the applicable prospectus supplement to this prospectus. DCT Industrial Trust Inc. may guarantee the payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on debt securities issued by DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP to the extent and on the terms described herein and in the applicable prospectus supplement to this prospectus.

This prospectus provides you with a general description of these securities that DCT Industrial Trust Inc., DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP and selling security holders may offer and the general manner in which they may be offered from time to time. Each time any of DCT Industrial Trust Inc., DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP or selling security holders sell securities, a prospectus supplement will be provided that will contain specific information about the terms of any securities offered and may add to or update the information in this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement carefully before you invest in our securities.

DCT Industrial Trust Inc., DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP or selling security holders may offer the securities directly to investors, through agents designated from time to time by DCT Industrial Trust Inc. or DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP, or to or through underwriters or dealers. DCT Industrial Trust Inc. and DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP may offer and sell these securities on a continuous or delayed basis.

The common stock of DCT Industrial Trust Inc. is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DCT. On March 9, 2017 the last reported sale price of DCT Industrial Trust Inc.'s common stock on the New York Stock Exchange was \$46.00.

Investing in the securities described in this prospectus involves various risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page 4 as well as the risk factors contained in documents DCT Industrial Trust Inc. files with the Securities and Exchange Commission and which are incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities, or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is March 13, 2017.

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary only highlights the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this prospectus or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. It may not contain all of the information that is important to you. You should carefully read the entire prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus before deciding whether to invest in our securities.

Unless the context otherwise requires, or unless otherwise specified, all references in this prospectus to the terms we, us, our and our company refer to DCT Industrial Trust Inc., which we refer to as DCT, together with its subsidiaries, including DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP, which we refer to as the Operating Partnership.

About This Prospectus

This document is called a prospectus, and it provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we sell securities, we will provide a prospectus supplement containing specific information about the terms of the securities being offered. That prospectus supplement may include a discussion of any risk factors or other special considerations that apply to those securities. The prospectus supplement may also add, update or change the information in this prospectus. If there is any inconsistency between the information in this prospectus and in a prospectus supplement, you should rely on the information in that prospectus supplement. You should read both this prospectus and any prospectus supplement together with additional information described under the heading Where You Can Find More Information.

We have filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, using a shelf registration process. Under this shelf process, we may offer and sell any combination of the securities described in this prospectus, in one or more offerings.

Our SEC registration statement containing this prospectus, including exhibits, provides additional information about us and the securities offered under this prospectus. The registration statement can be read at the SEC's web site or at the SEC's offices. The SEC's web site and street addresses are provided under the heading Where You Can Find More Information.

When acquiring securities, you should rely only on the information provided in this prospectus and in the related prospectus supplement, including any information incorporated by reference. No one is authorized to provide you with information different from that which is contained, or deemed to be contained, in the prospectus and related prospectus supplement. We and the selling stockholders are not offering securities in any state where the offer of such securities is prohibited. You should not assume that the information in this prospectus, any prospectus supplement or any document incorporated by reference is truthful or complete as of any date other than the date indicated on the cover page of these documents.

This prospectus contains forward-looking statements. You should read the explanation of the qualifications and limitations on such forward-looking statements on page 5 of this prospectus. You should also carefully consider the various risk factors incorporated by reference into this prospectus from our SEC filings, which risk factors may cause our actual results to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements. You should not place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements.

Unless otherwise stated, currency amounts in this prospectus and any prospectus supplement are stated in United States dollars.

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DCT Industrial Trust Inc. is a leading industrial real estate company specializing in the ownership, acquisition, development, leasing and management of bulk-distribution and light-industrial properties located in high-demand distribution markets in the United States. DCT was formed as a Maryland corporation in April 2002 and has elected to be treated as a real estate investment trust, or REIT, for U.S. federal income tax purposes. We are structured as an umbrella partnership REIT under which substantially all of our current and future business is, and will be, conducted through a majority owned and controlled subsidiary, DCT Industrial Operating Partnership LP, a Delaware limited partnership, for which DCT is the sole general partner. DCT owns properties through the Operating Partnership and its subsidiaries.

As of December 31, 2016, we owned interests in approximately 74.0 million square feet of properties leased to approximately 900 customers, including:

64.7 million square feet comprising 401 consolidated operating properties that were 97.2% occupied;

7.8 million square feet comprising 23 unconsolidated properties that were 97.8% occupied and which we operated on behalf of two institutional capital management partners and an unconsolidated joint venture;

0.3 million square feet comprising three consolidated properties under redevelopment; and

1.2 million square feet comprising four consolidated properties which are shell-complete and in lease-up. In addition, the Company has 10 projects under construction and several projects in predevelopment.

Our principal executive office is located at 555 17th Street, Suite 3700, Denver, Colorado 80202; our telephone number is (303) 597-2400. We also maintain regional offices in Atlanta, Georgia; Chicago, Illinois; and Newport Beach, California and market offices in Baltimore, Maryland; Cincinnati, Ohio; Dallas, Texas; Houston, Texas; Paramus, New Jersey; Emeryville, California; Orlando, Florida; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Seattle, Washington. Our website address is www.dctindustrial.com. The information included or referenced to on, or otherwise accessible through, our website is not intended to form a part of or be incorporated by reference into this prospectus.

Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

The following table sets forth DCT's consolidated ratios of earnings to fixed charges for each of the periods shown.

	Year Ended December 31				
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges	2.2	2.3	1.5	(1)	(1)

(1)

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The ratio was less than 1:1 for the years ended December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, as earnings were inadequate to cover fixed charges by deficiencies of approximately \$(9.9) million and \$(27.4) million, respectively.

The ratio of earnings to fixed charges was computed by dividing earnings by fixed charges. Earnings consist of (a) pretax income from continuing operations before adjustment for income or loss from equity investees, plus (b) fixed charges, plus (c) amortization of capitalized interest, plus (d) distributed income of equity investees, plus (e) our share of pre-tax losses of equity investees for which charges arising from guarantees are included in

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fixed charges, less (f) interest capitalized, less (g) preferred stock dividend requirements of consolidated subsidiaries, less (h) the noncontrolling interest in pre-tax income of subsidiaries that have not incurred fixed charges. Fixed charges consist of the sum of (a) interest expensed and capitalized, (b) amortized premiums, discounts and capitalized expenses related to indebtedness, (c) an estimate of the interest within rental expense and (d) preferred stock dividend requirements of consolidated subsidiaries.

The following table sets forth the Operating Partnership's consolidated ratios of earnings to fixed charges for each of the periods shown.

	Year Ended December 31				
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges	2.2	2.3	1.5	(1)	(1)

(1) The ratio was less than 1:1 for the years ended December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, as earnings were inadequate to cover fixed charges by deficiencies of approximately \$(9.9) million and \$(27.4) million, respectively.

The ratio of earnings to fixed charges was computed by dividing earnings by fixed charges. Earnings consist of (a) pretax income from continuing operations before adjustment for income or loss from equity investees, plus (b) fixed charges, plus (c) amortization of capitalized interest, plus (d) distributed income of equity investees, plus (e) the Operating Partnership's share of pre-tax losses of equity investees for which charges arising from guarantees are included in fixed charges, less (f) interest capitalized, less (g) preferred stock dividend requirements of consolidated subsidiaries, less (h) the noncontrolling interest in pre-tax income of subsidiaries that have not incurred fixed charges. Fixed charges consist of the sum of (a) interest expensed and capitalized, (b) amortized premiums, discounts and capitalized expenses related to indebtedness, (c) an estimate of the interest within rental expense and (d) preferred stock dividend requirements of consolidated subsidiaries.

Ratio of Earnings to Combined Fixed Charges and Preferred Stock Dividends

The following table sets forth DCT's consolidated ratios of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends for each of the periods shown.

	Year Ended December 31				
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Ratio of Earnings to Combined Fixed Charges and Preferred Stock Dividends	2.2	2.3	1.5	(1)	(1)

(1) The ratio was less than 1:1 for the years ended December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, as earnings were inadequate to cover fixed charges by deficiencies of approximately \$(9.9) million and \$(27.4) million, respectively.

The ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends was computed by dividing earnings by combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends. Earnings consist of (a) pretax income from continuing operations before adjustments for income or loss from equity investees, plus (b) fixed charges, plus (c) amortization of

capitalized interest, plus (d) distributed income of equity investees, plus (e) our share of pre-tax losses of equity investees for which charges arising from guarantees are included in fixed charges, less (f) interest capitalized, less (g) preferred stock dividend requirements of consolidated subsidiaries, less (h) the noncontrolling interest in pre-tax income of subsidiaries that have not incurred fixed charges. Fixed charges consist of the sum of (a) interest expensed and capitalized, (b) amortized premiums, discounts and capitalized expenses related to indebtedness, (c) an estimate of the interest within rental expense and (d) preferred stock dividend requirements of consolidated subsidiaries. Preferred stock dividends are the amount of pre-tax earnings that are required to pay the dividends on outstanding preferred stock.

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RISK FACTORS

You should carefully consider the risks described in the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus, before making an investment decision. These risks are not the only ones facing our company. Additional risks not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also impair our business operations. Our business, financial condition or results of operations could be materially adversely affected by the materialization of any of these risks. The trading price of our securities could decline due to the materialization of any of these risks, and you may lose all or part of your investment. This prospectus and the documents incorporated herein by reference also contain forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors, including the risks described in the documents incorporated herein by reference, including (i) DCT's and the Operating Partnership's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 and (ii) documents DCT and the Operating Partnership file with the SEC after the date of this prospectus and which are deemed incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

We make statements in this prospectus that are considered forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act, which are usually identified by the use of words such as anticipates, believes, estimates, expects, intends, may, plans, projects, seeks, should, will, and words or similar expressions. We intend these 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. These forward-looking statements reflect our current views about our plans, intentions, expectations, strategies and prospects, which are based on the information currently available to us and on assumptions we have made. Although we believe that our plans, intentions, expectations, strategies and prospects as reflected in or suggested by those forward-looking statements are reasonable, we can give no assurance that the plans, intentions, expectations or strategies will be attained or achieved. Furthermore, actual results may differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements and will be affected by a variety of risks and factors that are beyond our control including, without limitation:

national, international, regional and local economic conditions;

the general level of interest rates and the availability of capital;

the competitive environment in which we operate;

real estate risks, including fluctuations in real estate values and the general economic climate in local markets and competition for tenants in such markets;

decreased rental rates or increasing vacancy rates;

defaults on or non-renewal of leases by tenants;

acquisition and development risks, including failure of such acquisitions and development projects to perform in accordance with projections;

the timing of acquisitions, dispositions and developments;

natural disasters such as fires, floods, tornadoes, hurricanes and earthquakes;

energy costs;

the terms of governmental regulations that affect us and interpretations of those regulations, including the costs of compliance with those regulations, changes in real estate and zoning laws and increases in real property tax rates;

financing risks, including the risk that our cash flows from operations may be insufficient to meet required payments of principal, interest and other commitments;

lack of or insufficient amounts of insurance;

litigation, including costs associated with prosecuting or defending claims and any adverse outcomes;

the consequences of future terrorist attacks or civil unrest;

environmental liabilities, including costs, fines or penalties that may be incurred due to necessary remediation of contamination of properties presently owned or previously owned by us;

our current and continuing qualification as a REIT, which involves the application of highly technical and complex provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the Internal Revenue Code, and depends on our ability to meet the various requirements imposed by the Internal Revenue Code through actual operating results, distribution levels and diversity of stock ownership; and

other risks and uncertainties detailed in the section entitled Risk Factors.

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While forward-looking statements reflect our current beliefs, they are not guaranties of future performance. We disclaim any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement to reflect changes in underlying assumptions or factors, new information, data or methods, future events or other changes. For a further discussion of these and other factors that could impact our future results, performance or transactions, see the section entitled Risk Factors in this prospectus and the documents referred to in that section.

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HOW WE INTEND TO USE THE PROCEEDS

We currently intend to use the net proceeds from the sale of any securities under this prospectus for general corporate purposes, which may include:

the repayment of debt;

the possible repurchase of our common stock;

the financing of potential investments, including acquisitions, development and redevelopment;

working capital; and

other purposes as mentioned in any prospectus supplement.

Pending such use, we may temporarily invest the net proceeds. The precise amounts and timing of the application of proceeds will depend upon our funding requirements and the availability of other funds. Except as mentioned in any prospectus supplement, specific allocations of the proceeds to such purposes will not have been made at the date of that prospectus supplement.

Based upon our historical and anticipated future growth and our financial needs, we may engage in additional financings of a character and amount that we determine as the need arises.

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DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS

Please note that in the sections entitled Description of Warrants, Description of Stock Purchase Contracts, Description of Units, Description of Common Stock, Description of Preferred Stock and Description of Depository Shares references to we, our and us refer only to DCT and not to its consolidated subsidiaries. This section outlines some of the provisions of each warrant agreement pursuant to which warrants may be issued, the warrants or rights, and any warrant certificates. This information may not be complete in all respects and is qualified entirely by reference to any warrant agreement with respect to the warrants of any particular series. The specific terms of any series of warrants will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement. If so described in the prospectus supplement, the terms of that series of warrants may differ from the general description of terms presented below.

We may issue warrants. We may issue these securities in such amounts or in as many distinct series as we wish. This section summarizes the terms of these securities that apply generally. Most of the financial and other specific terms of any such series of securities will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement. Those terms may vary from the terms described here.

When we refer to a series of securities in this section, we mean all securities issued as part of the same series under any applicable indenture, agreement or other instrument. When we refer to the applicable prospectus supplement, we mean the prospectus supplement describing the specific terms of the security you purchase. The terms used in the applicable prospectus supplement generally will have the meanings described in this prospectus, unless otherwise specified in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Warrants

We may issue warrants, options or similar instruments for the purchase of our preferred stock, common stock, depository shares or units. We refer to these collectively as warrants. Warrants may be issued independently or together with preferred stock, common stock, depository shares or units, and may be attached to or separate from those securities.

Agreements

Each series of warrants may be evidenced by certificates and may be issued under a separate indenture, agreement or other instrument to be entered into between us and a bank that we select as agent with respect to such series. The warrant agent will act solely as our agent in connection with the warrant agreement or any warrant certificates and will not assume any obligation or relationship of agency or trust for or with any warrant holders. Copies of the forms of agreements and the forms of certificates representing the warrants will be filed with the SEC near the date of filing of the applicable prospectus supplement with the SEC. Because the following is a summary of certain provisions of the forms of agreements and certificates, it does not contain all information that may be important to you. You should read all the provisions of the agreements and the certificates once they are available.

General Terms of Warrants

The prospectus supplement relating to a series of warrants will identify the name and address of the warrant agent, if any. The prospectus supplement will describe the terms of the series of warrants in respect of which this prospectus is being delivered, including:

the offering price;

the designation and terms of any securities with which the warrants are issued and in that event the number of warrants issued with each security or each principal amount of security;

the dates on which the right to exercise the warrants will commence and expire, and the price at which the warrants are exercisable;

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the amount of warrants then outstanding;

material U.S. federal income tax consequences of holding or exercising these securities; and

any other terms of the warrants.

Warrant certificates may be exchanged for new certificates of different denominations and may be presented for transfer of registration and, if exercisable for other securities or other property, may be exercised at the warrant agent's corporate trust office or any other office indicated in the prospectus supplement. If the warrants are not separately transferable from any securities with which they were issued, an exchange may take place only if the certificates representing the related securities are also exchanged. Prior to exercise of any warrant exercisable for other securities or other property, warrant holders will not have any rights as holders of the underlying securities, including the right to receive any principal, premium, interest, dividends, or payments upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up or to exercise any voting rights.

Modification Without Consent

We and the applicable warrant agent may amend any warrant or warrant agreement without the consent of any holder:

to cure any ambiguity;

to correct or supplement any defective or inconsistent provision; or

to make any other change that we believe is necessary or desirable and will not adversely affect the interests of the affected holders in any material respect.

We do not need any approval to make changes that affect only warrants to be issued after the changes take effect. We may also make changes that do not adversely affect a particular warrant in any material respect, even if they adversely affect other warrants in a material respect. In those cases, we do not need to obtain the approval of the holder of the unaffected warrant; we need only obtain any required approvals from the holders of the affected warrants.

Modification With Consent

We and any agent for any series of warrants may also amend any agreement and the related warrants by a supplemental agreement with the consent of the holders of a majority of the warrants of any series affected by such amendment. However, no such amendment that:

increases the exercise price of such warrant;

shortens the time period during which any such warrant may be exercised;

reduces the number of securities the consent of holders of which is required for amending the agreement or the related warrants; or

otherwise adversely affects the exercise rights of warrant holders in any material respect; may be made without the consent of each holder affected by that amendment.

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DESCRIPTION OF STOCK PURCHASE CONTRACTS

This section outlines some of the provisions of the stock purchase contracts, the stock purchase contract agreement and the pledge agreement. This information is not complete in all respects and is qualified entirely by reference to the stock purchase contract agreement and pledge agreement with respect to the stock purchase contracts of any particular series. The specific terms of any series of stock purchase contracts will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement. If so described in a prospectus supplement, the specific terms of any series of stock purchase contracts may differ from the general description of terms presented below.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, we may issue stock purchase contracts, including contracts obligating holders to purchase from us and us to sell to the holders, a specified number of shares of common stock, preferred stock, depositary shares or other security or property at a future date or dates. Alternatively, the stock purchase contracts may obligate us to purchase from holders, and obligate holders to sell to us, a specified or varying number of shares of common stock, preferred stock, depositary shares or other security or property. The consideration per share of common stock or preferred stock or per depositary share or other security or property may be fixed at the time the stock purchase contracts are issued or may be determined by a specific reference to a formula set forth in the stock purchase contracts. The stock purchase contracts may provide for settlement by delivery by us or on our behalf of shares of the underlying security or property or, they may provide for settlement by reference or linkage to the value, performance or trading price of the underlying security or property. The stock purchase contracts may be issued separately or as part of stock purchase units consisting of a stock purchase contract and debt securities, preferred stock or debt obligations of third parties, including U.S. treasury securities, other stock purchase contracts or common stock, or other securities or property, securing the holders' obligations to purchase or sell, as the case may be, the common stock, preferred stock, depositary shares or other security or property under the stock purchase contracts. The stock purchase contracts may require us to make periodic payments to the holders of the stock purchase units or vice versa, and such payments may be unsecured or prefunded on some basis and may be paid on a current or on a deferred basis. The stock purchase contracts may require holders to secure their obligations thereunder in a specified manner and may provide for the prepayment of all or part of the consideration payable by holders in connection with the purchase of the underlying security or other property pursuant to the stock purchase contracts.

The securities related to the stock purchase contracts may be pledged to a collateral agent for our benefit pursuant to a pledge agreement to secure the obligations of holders of stock purchase contracts to purchase the underlying security or property under the related stock purchase contracts. The rights of holders of stock purchase contracts to the related pledged securities will be subject to our security interest therein created by the pledge agreement. No holder of stock purchase contracts will be permitted to withdraw the pledged securities related to such stock purchase contracts from the pledge arrangement except upon the termination or early settlement of the related stock purchase contracts or in the event other securities, cash or property is made subject to the pledge agreement in lieu of the pledged securities, if permitted by the pledge agreement, or as otherwise provided in the pledge agreement. Subject to such security interest and the terms of the stock purchase contract agreement and the pledge agreement, each holder of a stock purchase contract will retain full beneficial ownership of the related pledged securities.

Except as described in the applicable prospectus supplement, the collateral agent will, upon receipt of distributions on the pledged securities, distribute such payments to us or the stock purchase contract agent, as provided in the pledge agreement. The purchase agent will in turn distribute payments it receives as provided in the stock purchase contract agreement.

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DESCRIPTION OF UNITS

This section outlines some of the provisions of the units and the unit agreements. This information may not be complete in all respects and is qualified entirely by reference to the unit agreement with respect to the units of any particular series. The specific terms of any series of units will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement. If so described in a particular supplement, the specific terms of any series of units may differ from the general description of terms presented below.

We may issue units comprised of shares of common stock, shares of preferred stock, stock purchase contracts, warrants and other securities in any combination. Each unit will be issued so that the holder of the unit is also the holder of each security included in the unit. Thus, the holder of a unit will have the rights and obligations of a holder of each included security. The unit agreement under which a unit is issued may provide that the securities included in the unit may not be held or transferred separately, at any time or at any time before a specified date.

The applicable prospectus supplement may describe:

the designation and terms of the units and of the securities comprising the units, including whether and under what circumstances those securities may be held or transferred separately;

any provisions of the governing unit agreement;

the price or prices at which such units will be issued;

the applicable U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to the units;

any provisions for the issuance, payment, settlement, transfer or exchange of the units or of the securities comprising the units; and

any other terms of the units and of the securities comprising the units.

The provisions described in this section, as well as those described under [Description of Warrants](#), [Description of Stock Purchase Contracts](#), [Description of Common Stock](#) and [Description of Preferred Stock](#) will apply to the securities included in each unit, to the extent relevant.

Issuance in Series

We may issue units in such amounts and in as many distinct series as we wish. This section summarizes terms of the units that apply generally to all series. Most of the financial and other specific terms of your series will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Unit Agreements

We will issue the units under one or more unit agreements to be entered into between us and a bank or other financial institution, as unit agent. We may add, replace or terminate unit agents from time to time. We will identify the unit agreement under which each series of units will be issued and the unit agent under that agreement in the applicable prospectus supplement.

The following provisions will generally apply to all unit agreements unless otherwise stated in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Modification Without Consent

We and the applicable unit agent may amend any unit or unit agreement without the consent of any holder:

to cure any ambiguity; any provisions of the governing unit agreement that differ from those described below;