

Message from the President and Chief Executive Officer

On behalf of our employees and our fellow trustees, we are pleased to report to you on our first quarter results for 2008.

Through the end of March 2008, and for the 44th consecutive month since becoming an income fund, we have continued to meet all of our distribution commitments. This represents just over \$250 million distributed to our unitholders. Our distributable cash payout ratio for the twelve month period ended March 31, 2008 was 87.3%. With our strong performance in 2007, and this first quarter of 2008, we improved our payout ratio by 9.5 ppts from the prior year.

Our first quarter results were solid, in light of some severe weather conditions, both in the East and the West, and the impact of the change in timing of Easter into the first quarter of 2008.

We experienced negative same store sales growth of 2.3% in the first quarter of 2008, but positive margin growth year-over-year more than offset the impact of lighter delivered sales results. Our written same stores sales growth was positive 3.6% for the quarter, which underscored the ongoing strength of our promotional calendar and marketing efforts.

Our EBITDA for the quarter, despite a flat sales base as compared to the prior year, was \$12.4 million, or 15.6% higher than in the prior year for the same period. Management was very pleased with how we were able to manage our cost structure appropriately, in light of the reduced sales.

In addition to driving positive written sales growth, and delivering positive EBITDA growth, we were also able to effectively reduce our inventory levels by \$37 million from our 2007 year end level, and at the same time, grow our gross margin over the prior year. Below are some key highlights for the quarter, compared to the same period last year:

Change from Prior Year	First Quarter 2008
Total Corporate Sales Growth	+ 0.1%
Corporate Same Store Sales Growth	-2.3%
EBITDA - \$	+ 1.7 million
EBITDA - %	+ 15.6 %

With a strong promotional calendar, our cost management structure in place, and a seasonally appropriate inventory level, we believe we are well positioned to continue to effectively execute against delivering our written sales. Heading into the second quarter and beyond, as we did last year, we will continue to focus on driving sales and maximizing customer satisfaction.

As you will read in our outlook, a key focus for management in the year will be to optimize a more aggressive capital investment program. We plan to invest approximately \$30 million in 2008 versus \$16 million in 2007. We will continue to leverage the benefits of the rebanner and distribution centre initiatives with our 2008 capital investment program.

Our overall strategy remains on course for the year ahead. With the success of the 2007 year and this first quarter of 2008, we believe we are well positioned to succeed against the economic and competitive challenges in the year ahead. We remain on track to meet our objectives for the year.

On behalf of the Brick team, we thank you for your support.

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President and CEO