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3 3IN – 3i Infrastructure – Pre-close update

Invests in infrastructure businesses and assets

- The company has provided an update covering the period from 1 October 2018 to 28 March 2019. During this period, the company has completed the sale of its one-third stake in Cross London Trains for proceeds of £333m, completed the EUR 226m investment in Tampnet (a 50% stake alongside Danish pension fund ATP), and entered into a commitment to fully acquire 100% of Joulz Diensten (Joulz) for around EUR 220m. Portfolio company Wireless Infrastructure Group acquired Highpoint Communications in Ireland and Arqiva's Indoor Networks business in the UK. TCR completed the bolt-on acquisition of Aerolima.
- Overall, 3IN's portfolio continues to perform well. There was progress at Attero (which delivered on two of its strategic initiatives and refinanced its debt structure on improved terms) and ESVAGT (which signed several material contract extensions). On the negative side, Oystercatcher continues to see softer demand for storage of certain product types, while Infinis continues to be impacted by regulatory uncertainty. Total income and non-income cash was around £69m during the period. The company remains on track to deliver its full-year dividend target of 8.65pps, which will be fully covered with a significant surplus.
- The company's cash balance was £262m as at 28 March 2019, and the undrawn balance of its revolving credit facility (RCF) was £284m. The company expects the majority of this cash to be used to fund the investment in Joulz, together with the final dividend for the year and expenses. The undrawn RCF balance provides liquidity for new investments and could be supplemented by the £200m accordion feature if required.

3 WHR – Warehouse – Results of fundraising

Invests in UK warehouse assets in urban locations

• Following the close of the fundraising announced on 12 March 2019, and having gained the necessary shareholder approval at the general meeting held yesterday, the company will issue 74,254,043 new ordinary shares at 103pps, raising £76.48m (the target had been for up to £100m). 57,711,397 shares will be issued under the placing (raising gross proceeds of £59.44m), 13,241,819 shares will be issued under the open offer (gross proceeds £13.64m), and 3,300,827 shares will be issued under the offer for subscription (gross proceeds £3.40m). Admission and the start of trading in the new shares is expected on 2 April 2019.

Portfolio news

 Greencoat Renewables (GRP) – Additional stake – GRP has announced the acquisition of a 25% stake in Cloosh Valley wind farm from SSE for a total of EUR 34.5m, the equity value of the transaction. In addition, the deal includes EUR 41.7m of project finance debt attributable to the shareholding acquired. This acquisition is in addition to the 50% stake in Cloosh Valley previously acquired by the company from Coillte in December 2018, taking the company's ownership to 75%. SSE will continue to own the remaining 25% of the wind farm and will continue to manage its operations. Cloosh Valley has a capacity of 108MW, was commissioned in September 2017 and is contracted under the REFIT 2 regime until 2032. After the acquisition, the company's total borrowings are 44% of GAV.

- Greencoat UK Wind (UKW) Completion of acquisitions UKW has completed the acquisition
 of 49.9% stakes in the Stronelairg and Dunmaglass wind farms from SSE, in partnership with a
 major UK pension fund whose investment is managed by Greencoat Capital. Cn
- The company also announced the completion of the acquisition of the Douglas West wind farm project from Blue Energy. The company announced that it had entered into agreements to make these acquisitions, subject to conditions, on 1 February 2019 and 20 December 2018, respectively.
- Schroder Real Estate (SREI) Industrial asset management update Recent activity across the company's multi-let industrial portfolio has increased net income by £135,283 per annum. Hortonpark Industrial Estate, in Telford, which comprises 15 units totalling 158,621 sq ft, has seen lease agreements on two vacant units totalling 17,756 sq ft. The combined rents are £87,500 per annum, 4% ahead of the rental value as at 31 December 2018, the leases are for five and six years, and they increase occupancy on the estate to 96% (by rental value). Union Park Industrial Estate, in Norwich, comprises 32 units totalling 268,868 sq ft. One new ten-year lease is for a 13,212 sq ft unit at a rent of £75,969 per annum, 36% above the previous rent paid and 4% above the rental value as at 31 December 2018. The other new lease is for five years, for a 8,224 sq ft unit at a rent of £42,750 per annum, which is a 16% increase on the previous rent paid and in line with the rental value. Following this activity, the estate is 90% let (by rental value). Stacey Bushes Industrial Estate, in Milton Keynes, comprises 52 units totalling 379,948 sq ft and is fully let. One lease renewal and three rent reviews have been completed at a total combined rent of £186,149 per annum, resulting in a combined rental uplift of £22,064 per annum, 7% above the combined rental value as at 31 December 2018. The company will shortly start construction of six new units on the estate totalling 14,800 sq ft, with an estimated rental value of £155,400 per annum.
- Triple Point Social Housing (SOHO) Investment update SOHO announced that it has completed the acquisition of four supported housing properties and acquired the land and entered into a forward funding arrangement to develop another supported housing scheme, comprising 60 units in total, for an aggregate commitment of £11.4m (excluding costs). The properties are in Yorkshire (10 units), the North West (15 units), the East Midlands (20 units), the South West (6 units) and London (9 units). SOHO has entered into new FRI leases with specialist housing associations in respect of each of the properties (other than the forward funded asset) for a minimum of 20 years with the ability to extend to 25 years (other than one lease on fifteen units, which can be extended to 22 years). In relation to the forward funded asset, SOHO will enter into a new FRI lease on practical completion of the scheme, for a minimum of 20 years with the ability to extend to 25 years. The rents received under the leases are (or will be, in the case of the forward funded asset) subject to annual, upward-only rent reviews, increasing in line with CPI. The properties will (immediately or on completion of the acquisition) generate net initial yields in line with the company's investment criteria and returns profile.
- UK Mortgages (UKML) Investment update The company announced that the securitisation
 of the portfolio of first ranking, owner-occupied mortgage loans originated by The Mortgage
 Lender (TML), Barley Hill No. 1, has been initiated, now that the portfolio has grown to the
 appropriate size.

Results in brief

GCP Asset Backed Finance (GABI) – Finals to 31 December 2018 – The NAV as at 31
December 2018 was 101.74pps (previously announced), up 3.55% in H2 2018 and up 7.46%
in 2018. Dividends of 6.35pps were declared in respect of the year, including a special

dividend of 0.25pps, ahead of the target of 6.10pps. The dividend was fully covered by basic EPS of 7.27pps. For the financial year 2019, the company is targeting an annual dividend of 6.2pps. The company owns a diversified and partially inflation and/or interest rate protected portfolio (46% of the portfolio) of 35 asset backed loans with a third-party valuation of £376.1m as at 31 December 2018. The weighted average annualised yield on the portfolio as at 31 December 2018 was 8.0%. During the period, GABI advanced loans of £129.2m secured against 25 projects (ten new projects and 15 follow-on projects), with a further £27.3m secured against twelve projects advanced post year end. Aggregate gross proceeds of £64.5m were raised during the year through a pre-emptive issue of C shares in October 2018 and a placing of ordinary shares in December 2018. The company's C shares converted into new ordinary shares in December 2018, ahead of schedule. The company also arranged a £15m increase to its existing revolving credit facility with RBSI, from £15m to £30m.

- NB Global Floating Rate Income (NBLS) Finals to 31 December 2018 The GBP NAV as at 31 December 2018 was 92.15pps (previously announced), down 1.27% during the year, and the USD NAV was \$0.9468 per share (previously announced), down 0.54% in 2018. Total dividends for the year were 4.02pps for the GBP shares and \$0.0413 per USD (2017: 3.35pps and \$0.0341 per US share). Net assets across the two share classes at the end of the period were \$911.9m (2017: \$1.31bn). The portfolio remains fully invested, with a strong US, though there was a shift towards a higher portion of Euro-denominated loans that reflected the investment manager's view that the Eurozone remains at an earlier stage of the credit cycle, and therefore relatively attractively valued. During 2018, the investment manager kept the portfolio's bond allocation well below the 20% of NAV permitted. Additionally, allocations to higher-rated assets continued, with BB loans accounting for 35.93% of the NAV as at the end of December 2018 (2017: 49.84%). In the 12 months to 31 December 2018, the company bought back 220,555,413 GBP shares and 2,061,305 USD shares, to address the discount to NAV, leading to NAV accretion of 0.88% and 0.17% for the GBP and USD shares, respectively.
- Triple Point Social Housing (SOHO) Finals to 31 December 2018 The NAV as at 31 December 2018 was 103.65pps, up 3.18pps (3.17%) since the last NAV on 30 September 2018 and up 7.70% year-to-date. The 1.25pps dividend payable today brings the total dividend to 5.0pps for its first financial year, in line with the stated target at launch. The target aggregate dividend for 2019 is 5.095pps, an increase in line with inflation, reflecting the typical CPI-based rent reviews. As at 31 December 2018, the portfolio was valued at £323.5m, a valuation uplift of 6.89% on the total invested funds of £302.6m. During the period, SOHO acquired 156 properties with an aggregate purchase price of £170.8m (including costs), bringing the total investment portfolio to 272 properties. It committed around £26.3m to forward fund the development of 13 newly-built or fully-renovated bespoke supported housing schemes, six of which reached practical completion during the year. The blended net initial yield was 5.25% at the end of the period, against the portfolio's blended net initial yield on purchase of 5.89%. The portfolio's total annualised rental income was £17.4m as at 31 December 2018, and the WAULT was 27.2 years. 100% of the portfolio was fully-let or pre-let and income producing during the year, all of the contracted rental income was either CPI or RPI-linked. SOHO raised gross equity proceeds of £47.5m through the issue of C shares in March 2018 and a further £108.2m through an issue of ordinary shares in October 2018. It also raised gross debt proceeds of £68.5m via a private placement of loan notes in July 2018 and a further £70m via a revolving credit facility in December 2018 (undrawn as at 31 December 2018).

Declared dividends

• Ediston Property (EPIC) declared a monthly dividend of 0.4792pps (unchanged), payable on 30-Apr-19, with ex-dividend date 11-Apr-19.

Credit/lending NAV performance

 TwentyFour Select Monthly Income (SMIF) NAV as at 27-Mar-19 (89.69pps) was down 0.19pps (0.21%) since the last NAV on 20-Mar-19, up 0.50% month-to-date and up 2.77% year-to-date.

Private equity NAV performance

• Tetragon (TFG) NAV as at 28-Feb-19 (\$23.15 per share) was up 0.83% in February and up 3.79% year-to-date.

Share buybacks and issuance

- Alcentra European Floating Rate Income (AEFS) bought back 500,000 shares at 97.00pps on 28-Mar-19.
- Baillie Gifford US Growth (USA) issued 500,000 shares at 124.4pps on 28-Mar-19.
- Capital Gearing Trust (CGT) issued 15,000 shares at 4137pps on 28-Mar-19.
- CQS New City High Yield (NCYF) issued 1,000,000 shares at 57.6pps on 28-Mar-19.
- Funding Circle SME Income (FCIF) bought back 405,000 shares at 85.8pps on 28-Mar-19.
- JPMorgan Global Convertibles Income (JGCI) bought back 150,000 shares at 88.68pps on 28-Mar-19.
- NB Global Floating Rate Income (NBLS) bought back 1,140,000 GBP shares at 89.6281pps and 610,000 USD shares at \$0.9175 per share on 28-Mar-19.
- P2P Global Investments (P2P) bought back 5,000 shares at 811.9pps on 28-Mar-19.
- Secure Income REIT (SIR) issued 1,287,242 new ordinary shares to the investment adviser at 380.7pps pursuant to the fee arrangements on 28-Mar-19.

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