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(Exact name of r	registrant as specified in its cha	arter)
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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)		(IRS Employer Identification Number)
10 Glenlake Parkway, Suite 600, South Tower		
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(Registrants telep	phone number, including area	code)
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			by reference portions of Americold Realty Trust's Proxy Statement for its 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, which the registrants in older than 120 days after the end of its fiscal year pursuant to Regulation 14A.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

As used in this report, unless the context otherwise requires, references to "we," "us," "our" and "the Company" refer to Americold Realty
Trust, a Maryland real estate investment trust, and its consolidated subsidiaries, including Americold Realty Operating Partnership, L.P., a
Delaware limited partnership and the subsidiary through which we conduct our business, which we refer to as "our operating partnership,"
and references to "common shares" refer to our common shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value per share.

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#### CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Annual Report on Form 10-K contains statements about future events and expectations that constitute forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are based on our beliefs, assumptions and expectations of our future financial and operating performance and growth plans, taking into account the information currently available to us. These statements are not statements of historical fact. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that may cause our actual results to differ materially from the expectations of future results we express or imply in any forward-looking statements, and you should not place undue reliance on such statements. Factors that could contribute to these differences include the following:

- uncertainties and risks related to public health crises, including the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic;
- adverse economic or real estate developments in our geographic markets or the temperature-controlled warehouse industry;
- general economic conditions;
- risks associated with the ownership of real estate and temperature-controlled warehouses in particular;
- acquisition risks, including the failure to identify or complete attractive acquisitions or the failure of acquisitions to perform in accordance with projections and to realize anticipated cost savings and revenue improvements;
- our failure to realize the intended benefits from our recent acquisitions, including the Agro acquisition, and including synergies, or disruptions to our plans and operations or unknown or contingent liabilities related to our recent acquisitions;
- risks related to expansions of existing properties and developments of new properties, including failure to meet budgeted or stabilized returns within expected time frames, or at all, in respect thereof;
- a failure of our information technology systems, cybersecurity attacks or a breach of our information security systems, networks or processes could cause business disruptions or loss of confidential information;
- risks related to privacy and data security concerns, and data collection and transfer restrictions and related foreign regulations;
- defaults or non-renewals of significant customer contracts, including as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic;
- uncertainty of revenues, given the nature of our customer contracts;
- increased interest rates and operating costs, including as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic;
- our failure to obtain necessary outside financing;
- risks related to, or restrictions contained in, our debt financings;
- decreased storage rates or increased vacancy rates;
- risks related to current and potential international operations and properties;
- difficulties in expanding our operations into new markets, including international markets;
- risks related to the partial ownership of properties, including as a result of our lack of control over such investments and the failure of such entities to perform in accordance with projections;
- our failure to maintain our status as a REIT;
- possible environmental liabilities, including costs, fines or penalties that may be incurred due to necessary remediation of contamination of properties presently or previously owned by us;
- financial market fluctuations;
- actions by our competitors and their increasing ability to compete with us;
- labor and power costs;
- changes in applicable governmental regulations and tax legislation, including in the international markets;
- additional risks with respect to the addition of European operations and properties;
- changes in real estate and zoning laws and increases in real property tax rates;

- the competitive environment in which we operate;
- our relationship with our associates, the occurrence of any work stoppages or any disputes under our collective bargaining agreements and employment related litigation;
- liabilities as a result of our participation in multi-employer pension plans;
- losses in excess of our insurance coverage;
- the potential liabilities, costs and regulatory impacts associated with our in-house trucking services and the potential disruptions associated with our use of third-party trucking service providers to provide transportation services to our customers;
- the cost and time requirements as a result of our operation as a publicly traded REIT;
- changes in foreign currency exchange rates;
- the impact of anti-takeover provisions in our constituent documents and under Maryland law, which could make an acquisition of us more difficult, limit attempts by our shareholders to replace our trustees and affect the price of our common shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value per share, of our common shares;
- the potential dilutive effect of our common share offerings; and
- risks related to any forward sale agreement, including the 2018 forward sale agreement, the 2020 ATM forward sale agreements and the 2020 forward sale agreements, or, collectively, our forward sale agreements, including substantial dilution to our earnings per share or substantial cash payment obligations.

The risks included here are not exhaustive, and additional factors could adversely affect our business and financial performance, including factors and risks included in other sections of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, including under Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors. Words such as "anticipates," "believes," "continues," "estimates," "expects," "goal," "objectives," "intends," "may," "opportunity," "plans," "potential," "near-term," "long-term," "projections," "assumptions," "projects," "guidance," "forecasts," "outlook," "target," "trends," "should," "would," "will" and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. Examples of forward-looking statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K include, among others, statements about our expected expansion and development pipeline and our targeted return on invested capital on expansion and development opportunities. We qualify any forward-looking statements entirely by these cautionary factors. Other risks, uncertainties and factors, including those discussed under "Risk Factors," could cause our actual results to differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statements we make. We assume no obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements for any reason, or to update the reasons actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements, even if new information becomes available in the future.

#### **PART I**

## **ITEM 1. Business**

#### The Company

We are the world's largest publicly traded REIT focused on the ownership, operation, acquisition and development of temperature-controlled warehouses. We are organized as a self-administered and self-managed REIT with proven operating, development and acquisition expertise. As of December 31, 2020, we operated a global network of 238 temperature-controlled warehouses encompassing over 1.4 billion cubic feet, with 194 warehouses in North America, 26 in Europe, 15 warehouses in Asia-Pacific, and three warehouses in South America. In addition, we hold two minority interests in Brazilian-based joint ventures, one with SuperFrio, which owns or operates 22 temperature-controlled warehouses and one with Comfrio, which owns or operates 13 temperature-controlled warehouses. We view and manage our business through three primary business segments: warehouse, third-party managed and transportation.

We consider our temperature-controlled warehouses to be "mission-critical" real estate in the markets we serve from "farm to fork" and an integral component of the temperature-controlled food infrastructure supply chain, which we refer to as the "cold chain." The cold chain is vital for maintaining the quality of food producers', distributors', retailers' and e-tailers' temperature-sensitive products, protecting brand reputation and ensuring consumer safety and satisfaction. Our customers depend upon the location, high-quality, integration and scale of our portfolio to ensure the integrity and efficient distribution of their products. Many of our warehouses are located in key logistics corridors in the countries in which we operate, including strategic U.S. and international metropolitan statistical areas, or MSAs, while others are connected or immediately adjacent to customers' production facilities. We believe our strategic locations and the extensive geographic presence of our integrated warehouse network are fundamental to our customers' ability to optimize their distribution networks while reducing their capital expenditures, operating costs and supply-chain risks.

We consider ownership of our temperature-controlled warehouses to be fundamental to our business, our ability to attract and retain customers and our ability to achieve our targeted return on invested capital. We believe that the ownership of our real estate provides us with cost of capital and balance sheet advantages, stemming from the attractive financing options available to real estate owners and the tax advantages of being a REIT. We also believe that consolidation of the ownership and operation of our portfolio significantly enhances the value of our business by allowing us to provide customers with our complementary suite of value-added services across one integrated and reliable cold chain network. Ownership of our integrated cold chain network enhances our ability to efficiently reposition customers and undertake capital improvements or other modifications on their behalf without the need to obtain third-party approvals. Our decision to own, rather than lease, a significant majority of our warehouses provides us with better control over the specialized nature of our assets and greater influence over our warehouse locations on a long-term basis, which is crucial to meeting our customers' "mission-critical" cold chain needs.

#### **Recent Acquisitions and Investments in Joint Ventures**

On January 2, 2020, the Company completed the purchase of all outstanding shares of Nova Cold for C\$338.7 million, or \$260.6 million USD. Also on January 2, 2020, the Company completed the purchase of all outstanding membership interests of Newport Cold for cash consideration of \$57.7 million.

On March 6, 2020, the Company acquired a 14.99% ownership interest in Superfrio Armazéns Gerais S.A. (SuperFrio) for Brazil Reals of \$117.8 million, or approximately USD \$25.7 million, inclusive of certain legal fees.

On August 31, 2020, the Company acquired Caspers Cold Storage (Caspers) for \$25.6 million. Also on August 31, 2020, the Company acquired AM-C Warehouses (AM-C) for approximately \$82.7 million.

On November 2, 2020, the Company acquired Hall's Warehouse Corporation (Hall's) for \$489.2 million.

On December 30, 2020, we acquired privately held Agro Merchants Group ("Agro") from an investor group led by funds managed by Oaktree Capital Management, L.P. ("Oaktree") for consideration of \$1.59 billion, which includes cash received of \$47.5 million. This was comprised of cash consideration totaling \$1.08 billion, of which \$49.7 million was deferred, and the issuance of 14,166,667 common shares of beneficial interest to Oaktree, with a fair value of \$512.1 million based on the share price on December 29, 2020 of \$36.15. Financing and sale-leaseback obligations associated with the acquisition totaled \$119.9 million, and when added to the total consideration transferred brings the total transaction cost to approximately \$1.7 billion. Refer to Note 3 of the Consolidated Financial Statements for details of these amounts.

Refer to Item 7 - Management's Discussion and Analysis and Notes 2 and 3 of the Consolidated Financial Statements in this Annual Report on Form 10-K for further details of each of the 2020 acquisition.

## **Initial Public Offering and Follow-on Offerings**

On January 23, 2018, we completed an initial public offering of our common shares, in which we issued and sold 33,350,000 of our common shares, including 4,350,000 common shares pursuant to the exercise in full of the underwriters' option to purchase additional common shares (the "IPO"). The offering generated net proceeds of approximately \$493.6 million to us, after deducting underwriting fees and other offering costs of approximately \$40.0 million. Subsequent to our IPO, we have completed multiple follow-on offerings, which are described in further detail in Item 5 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### **Our Information**

Our principal executive office is located at 10 Glenlake Parkway, South Tower, Suite 600, Atlanta, Georgia 30328, and our telephone number is (678) 441-1400. Our website address is www.americold.com. The information found on, or otherwise accessible through, our website is not incorporated into, and does not form a part of, this Annual Report on Form 10-K or any other report or document we file with or furnish to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, Proxy Statement and all amendments to those reports are available free of charge on our website as soon as reasonably practicable after such material is electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC. In addition, all reports we file with the SEC are available via EDGAR through the SEC website at www.sec.gov. Copies of our annual report will be made available, free of charge, on written request. Our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics is also made available through our website under "Investors - Governance Documents".

#### **BUSINESS STRATEGY AND OPERATING SEGMENTS**

We were formed as a Maryland REIT on December 27, 2002. Our Operating Partnership was formed as a Delaware limited partnership on April 5, 2010. Our operations are conducted through our Operating Partnership and its subsidiaries.

Our primary business objective is to increase shareholder value by serving our customers, growing our market share, enhancing our operating and financial results and increasing cash flows from operations. We also believe that our ability to execute on our business and growth strategies will enhance the overall value of our real estate. The strategies we intend to execute to achieve these objectives include the following:

## Enhancing Our Operating and Financial Results Through Proactive Asset Management

We seek to enhance our operating and financial results by supporting our customers' growth initiatives in the cold chain, optimizing both physical and economic occupancy, underwriting and deploying yield management initiatives and executing operational optimization and cost containment strategies. We believe that the combination of our ability to execute these and other initiatives and the significant investments we have made in our business over the last several years will continue to drive our financial results and position us to expand our warehouse portfolio, grow our customer base, enhance our market share and create value for our shareholders.

## Continue to Increase Committed Revenue in Our Warehouse Segment

Historically, providers of temperature-controlled warehouse space have offered storage services to customers on an as-utilized, on-demand basis. We actively seek to enter into contracts that implement our commercial business rules which contemplate, among other things, fixed storage commitments in connection with establishing new customer relationships or renewing agreements with existing customers, particularly with our largest customers, and variable rates for the value-added services we provide. Over the last several years, we have transitioned a significant portion of our rent and storage revenues generated on an as-utilized, on-demand basis to a fixed storage commitment basis. We believe the scope and breadth of our network position us favorably to continue to increase our fixed storage commitments as we believe this structure offers commercial advantages to both our customers and us.

## Focused and Disciplined Strategy to Expand Our Portfolio of Temperature-Controlled Warehouses

We believe our operating systems and economies of scale provide us with a significant advantage over our competitors with respect to expansion, development and acquisition opportunities. Being the first publicly-traded REIT focused on the temperature-controlled warehouse industry provides us greater access to the capital markets than our competitors, which we believe better positions us to strategically enter new locations, fill gaps in existing distribution networks and effectively compete for expansion, development and acquisition opportunities.

## Capitalize on Increased Outsourcing by Leading Global Food Producers, Distributors, Retailers and E-Tailers

Over the last 35 years, frozen food producers, distributors, retailers and e-tailers have increasingly outsourced their temperature-controlled warehousing needs to increase efficiency, reduce costs and redeploy capital into core businesses. We anticipate that cold chain participants will continue to make certain of their "in-house" temperature-controlled warehouses available for sale in the future and, accordingly, will continue to look to third-party providers to meet their temperature-controlled warehouse storage and service needs in related geographic markets. We believe that our ability to offer one of the most extensive and integrated network of high-quality temperature-controlled warehouses globally with value-added services and our long-standing relationships with leading cold chain participants will enable us to capitalize on this trend.

## Well Positioned to Benefit from E-Commerce Growth

Our warehouse portfolio serves as a fundamental bridge between food producers and fulfillment centers - whether for online e-tailers or traditional brick and mortar retailers. We believe our ability to design, build and operate warehouses across the cold chain makes us an attractive storage solution for existing retailers and the growing e-tailer segment and positions us well to generate new relationships, drive growth and capture market share by increasing our presence in the e-commerce channel.

## Expand Our Presence by Increasing Market Share for Other Temperature-Sensitive Product Types

Although we focus on providing temperature-controlled warehouse space to the food industry, we also store other forms of temperature-sensitive products, including pharmaceutical, floral and chemical products. As the rapid growth in e-commerce continues to increase the flow of products through the global distribution network, we believe our ability to provide comprehensive and consistent quality warehousing and value-added services at all points in the cold chain put us in a strong position to develop new relationships, drive growth and enhance market share with producers, distributors, retailers and e-tailers in other temperature-sensitive products. Additionally, we have the flexibility to store non-temperature-sensitive "dry" goods in our warehouses to the extent desirable.

## **Investments in Our Warehouses**

We employ a strategic investment approach to maintain a high-quality portfolio of temperature-controlled warehouses to ensure that our warehouses meet the "mission-critical" role they serve in the cold chain. We have successfully modernized many of our warehouses to reduce our power costs and increase their competitive position through reliable temperature-control systems that can implement distinct temperature zones within the same warehouse. In addition, we use LED lighting, thermal energy storage, motion-sensor technology, variable frequency drives for our fans and compressors, third-party efficiency reviews and real-time monitoring of energy consumption, high speed doors and alternative-power generation technologies, including solar, to improve the energy efficiency of our warehouses. We also utilize rain-water recapture to reduce our reliance on municipal water supplies and reduce run-off. We believe that our warehouses are well-maintained and in good operating condition.

## **Our Business Segments**

We view and manage our business through three primary business segments—warehouse, third-party managed and transportation.

Our core business is our warehouse segment, where we provide temperature-controlled warehouse storage and related handling and other warehouse services. In our warehouse segment, we collect rent and storage fees from customers to store their frozen and perishable food and other products within our real estate portfolio. We also provide our customers with handling and other warehouse services related to the products stored in our buildings that are designed to optimize their movement through the cold chain, such as the placement of food products for storage and preservation, the retrieval of products from storage upon customer request, case-picking, blast freezing, kitting and repackaging and other recurring handling services. We refer to these handling and other services as our value-added services.

Under our third-party managed segment, we manage warehouses on behalf of third parties and provide warehouse management services to leading food retailers and manufacturers in customer-owned facilities, including some of our largest and longest-standing customers. We believe using our third-party management services allows our customers to increase efficiency, lower costs, reduce supply-chain risks and focus on their

core businesses. We also believe that providing third-party management services to many of our key customers underscores our ability to offer a complete and integrated suite of services across the cold chain.

In our transportation segment, we broker and manage transportation of frozen and perishable food and other products for our customers. Our transportation services include consolidation services (*i.e.*, consolidating a customer's products with those of other customers for more efficient shipment), freight under management services (*i.e.*, arranging for and overseeing transportation of customer inventory) and dedicated transportation services, each designed to improve efficiency and reduce transportation and logistics costs to our customers. We provide these transportation services at cost plus a service fee or, in the case of our consolidation services, we charge a fixed fee. We supplemented our regional, national and truckload consolidation services with the Halls acquisition, which services the Northeast corridor of the U.S. with an owned and maintained fleet. Our acquisition of Agro Merchants further expands our Transportation service offering. Agro Merchants operates its own fleet of temperature-controlled vehicles in the U.S., Ireland and UK and also offers a variety of non-asset based transportation management services. These include multi-modal global freight forwarding services to support our customers' needs.

We also operated a limestone quarry, which was sold on July 1, 2020.

#### **Customers**

Our global footprint enables us to efficiently serve approximately 2,500 customers consisting primarily of producers, distributors, retailers and e-tailers of frozen and perishable food products, such as fruits, vegetables, meats, seafood, novelties, dairy and packaged foods. We believe the creditworthiness and geographic diversity of our customer base provide us with stable cash flows and a strong platform for growth. The weighted average length of our relationship with our 25 largest customers in our warehouse segment exceeds 35 years. The total warehouse segment revenues generated by our 25 largest customers in our warehouse segment represent 55%, 60% and 63% of our total warehouse segment revenues for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively. As we have acquired multiple businesses over the past two years, this percentage has declined as our portfolio has expanded. For the year ended December 31, 2020, this disclosure is calculated on a proforma basis as if the Company had completed all 2020 acquisitions as of the beginning of the year, except for the Agro acquisition. This metric will incorporate Agro in 2021 as a result of it closing at the end of 2020. There has been no material change to the composition of our top 25 customers. Each of these 25 largest customers has been in our network for the entirety of these periods.

The following table presents summary information concerning our 25 largest customers in our warehouse segment, based on warehouse segment revenues for the year ended December 31, 2020:

				Network Utilization					
	% of Warehouse Revenue (1)	# of Sites	Credit Rating (Moody's/S&P) <sup>(2)</sup>	Multi Location	Dedicated Sites	Value Added Services	Transportation Consolidation	Technology Integration	Committed Contract or Lease (3)
Retailer	7.8%	12	Baa2 / BBB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Producer	5.4%	40	Baa3 / BBB-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Producer	3.8%	29	Baa2	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Producer	3.7%	50	Baa2 / BBB+	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Producer	3.6%	30	BB+ / Baa3	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Producer	3.6%	20	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Retailer	2.7%	20	Ba1 / BB+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Producer	2.6%	4	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Producer	1.9%	3	Baa1 / BBB+	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Retailer	1.8%	5	Aa2 / AA	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Producer	1.8%	16	B1 / B+	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Producer	1.8%	24	Ba3 / BB+	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Producer	1.7%	6	NA	✓				✓	✓
Retailer	1.7%	12	Baa1 / BBB+	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Producer	1.4%	5	A1 / A+	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Producer	1.4%	10	Baa2 / BBB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Producer	1.2%	21	A1 / A	✓		✓		✓	✓
Retailer	1.1%	29	NA	✓		✓		✓	✓
Producer	1.1%	25	NA	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Retailer	1.1%	17	NA	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Producer	0.9%	21	Ba2 / BB+	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Producer	0.8%	10	BBB-	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Retailer	0.7%	3	NA	✓	✓			✓	✓
Producer	0.7%	14	NA	✓		✓		✓	✓
Retailer	0.7%	16	NA	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Total	55.0%								

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on warehouse revenues for the twelve months ended December 31, 2020. Presented on a pro forma basis as if the Company had completed all 2020 acquisitions as of the beginning of the year, with the exception of the Agro acquisition, which was completed on December 30, 2020.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents long-term issuer ratings as published in January 2021.

<sup>(3)</sup> A check mark indicates that the customer had at least one fixed commitment contract or lease with us as of December 31, 2020.

## Seasonality

We are involved in providing services to food producers, distributors, retailers and e-tailers whose businesses, in some cases, are seasonal or cyclical. In order to mitigate the volatility in our revenue and earnings caused by seasonal business, we have implemented fixed commitment contracts with certain of our customers. Our customers with fixed commitment contracts pay for guaranteed warehouse space in order to maintain their required inventory levels, which is especially helpful to them during periods of peak physical occupancy. On a portfolio-wide basis, physical occupancy rates are generally the lowest during May and June. Physical occupancy rates typically exhibit a gradual increase after May and June as a result of annual harvests and our customers building inventories in connection with end-of-year holidays and generally peak between mid-September and early December as a result thereof. Typically, we have higher than average physical occupancy levels in October or November, which also tends to result in higher revenues. In light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, we have seen variability in physical occupancy levels as compared to the typical seasonality trends.

Additionally, the involvement of our customers in a cross-section of the food industry mitigates, in part, the impact of seasonality as peak demand for various products occurs at different times of the year (for example, demand for ice cream is typically highest in the summer while demand for frozen turkeys usually peaks in the late fall). Our southern hemisphere operations in Australia, New Zealand and South America also help balance the impact of seasonality in our global operations, as their growing and harvesting cycles are complementary to North America and Europe. Each of our warehouses sets its own operating hours based on demand, which is heavily driven by growing seasons and seasonal consumer demand for certain products.

## Competition

In our industry, the principal competitive factors are warehouse location, warehouse size, breadth and interconnectivity of warehouse networks, quality, type of service and price. For refrigerated food customers, transportation costs are typically significantly greater than warehousing costs and, accordingly, location and transportation capabilities are major competitive factors. The size of a warehouse is important in part because large customers generally prefer to have all of their products needed to serve a given market in a single location and to have the flexibility to increase storage at that single location during seasonal peaks. In areas with direct local competition, customers generally will select a temperature-controlled warehouse based upon service level, price and the quality of the warehouse. In addition, some food producers and distributors attend to their own warehousing and distribution needs by either building or leasing warehouses, creating a private warehousing market which may compete with the public warehouse industry. Many customers, including those for whom private warehousing is a viable option, will select distribution services based upon service level and price, provided that an appropriate network of related storage facilities is available. The ability to provide a wide breadth of high-quality integrated logistics management services is an increasingly important competitive advantage in the marketplace. In addition, we compete for the business of customers and potential customers who may choose to provide temperature-controlled warehousing in-house.

## **United States**

Outside the five largest owners of temperature-controlled warehouses, the United States temperature-controlled warehouse industry is highly fragmented among numerous owners and operators. We believe our main competitors include Lineage Logistics, LLC, United States Cold Storage, Inc. (an affiliate of John Swire & Sons), Interstate Warehousing, Burris Logistics, NewCold Advanced Cold Logistics, Hanson Logistics and Seafrigo Logistics, in addition to numerous other local, regional and national temperature-controlled warehouse owners and operators.

## Europe

Our main competitors in Europe include Lineage Logistics, LLC, Kloosterboer and NewCold Advanced Logistics. Generally, the European temperature-controlled warehouse industry is highly fragmented among numerous owners and operators.

## Asia-Pacific

Our main competitors in Australia include Emergent Cold Storage (acquired by Lineage Logistics in June 2020) and NewCold Advanced Cold Logistics, which operate warehouses and service many of the Australian markets. Generally, our other competitors operate in only one region and do not compete in the retail market that comprises the majority of our revenues.

Our main competitors in New Zealand are Emergent Cold Storage (acquired by Lineage Logistics in June 2020) and Halls Transport. Emergent Cold operates an estimated seven warehouses and is the largest public warehouse operator in New Zealand. Emergent Cold specializes in bulk storage and focuses on the commodity market with warehouses located near New Zealand's ports. Halls Transport is primarily a transporter that also operates a network of 3 warehouses. Generally, our other competitors also service the commodity market and operate in only one region.

#### South America

We have several competitors in the Buenos Aires and Santiago markets, which in the past tended to be smaller single-site operations or fragmented networks. The greatest sources of competition in Argentina and Chile are the disproportionate number of producers (compared to the United States) that continue to in-source their temperature-controlled storage needs. Through our joint ventures with Superfrio and Comfrio, we now have a relationship with the top two owners and operators of cold storage facilities in Brazil. The largest competitor in Brazil is Friozem Armazens Frigorificos Ltda.

#### ASSOCIATES

As of December 31, 2020, worldwide we employed approximately 16,300 people, approximately 37% of which were represented by various local labor unions and associations, and 84 of our 238 warehouses have unionized associates that are governed by 73 different collective bargaining agreements. Since January 1, 2016, we have successfully negotiated 95 collective bargaining agreements without any work stoppages. During 2020, we successfully negotiated and renewed 19 agreements.

During 2021, we expect to engage in negotiations for an additional 11 agreements, which make up approximately 3.3% of our employee population, covering all or parts of 13 operating locations worldwide. We do not anticipate any workplace disruptions during this renewal process. We consider our labor relations to be positive and productive.

We believe that how we attract, develop and retain our talent is critical to how we deliver on our strategy and create sustained growth and value for our shareholders, customers and associates. Our human capital measures and objectives focus on:

## Caring for our Associates During the COVID-19 Pandemic

To address the dynamic nature of COVID-19 in 2020, we implemented social distancing and other health and safety protocols as recommended and required by global, national, state and local government agencies and

organizations, including the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the World Health Organization. In addition to the number of actions taken to promote the health and well-being of our associates, we also wanted to recognize our associates for their contributions to our success. This included paying discretionary bonuses to our associates during the COVID-19 pandemic and providing additional personal protective equipment.

## **Equal Opportunity and Development**

We are an equal opportunity employer, with all qualified applicants receiving consideration for employment without regard to race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, genetic information, physical or mental disability, marital status, age, sexual orientation or identification, gender, veteran status, political affiliation, physical appearance, or any other characteristic protected by federal, state or local law. We seek to foster a diverse and inclusive workplace with employees who possess a broad range of experiences, backgrounds and skills. We continually assess and strive to enhance associate satisfaction and engagement. Our associates, many of whom have a relatively long tenure with our company, are offered regular opportunities to participate in formal and informal personal growth and professional development programs. Our formal offerings include tuition reimbursement, leadership development experiences, and a diverse curriculum of online learning programs. One of our unique leadership development programs is the Americold Leadership Academy, which builds the leadership capabilities of our global operations supervisors and managers, who have direct oversight of the frontline workforce managing our customers' products through the supply chain.

## Safety and Health

The safety, health and welfare of our associates is our number one priority. Our associates receive ongoing safety training to ensure that safety policies and procedures are effectively communicated and implemented. Personal protective equipment is provided to ensure our associates can safely perform their job function. We use safety scorecards, standardized signage, and visual management throughout our facilities to reinforce safety principles and metrics.

#### Total Rewards

We provide programs and benefits designed to attract, retain and reward a high-performing culture. In addition to salaries, our compensation programs, which vary by country/region, can include annual bonuses, share-based compensation awards, paid time off, a 401(k) plan with employee matching opportunities, healthcare and insurance benefits, health savings accounts and flexible work schedules, employee assistance programs, and tuition assistance. In addition, to drive further engagement and individual ownership of the company, we recently added a new Employee Stock Purchase Program (ESPP) which provides an opportunity to purchase Americold stock at a discounted price. The ESPP will be available to our associates during 2021.

#### **Business Conduct and Ethics**

We are dedicated to conducting our business consistent with the highest standards of business ethics. Our Business Code of Conduct and Ethics sets forth our standards and policies and associates receive regular training and reminders about our standards. We also maintain an anti-discrimination and anti-harassment policy that includes mandatory harassment training for all managers. We do not tolerate any form of racism, sexism or injustice within our facilities or across our organization. We also maintain a policy against modern slavery and we are committed to ensuring transparency within our business.

#### Community Outreach

We are passionate about giving back to the communities in which we live and work. We partner with and support organizations around the globe that contribute to fighting hunger and supporting the growth and development of children and teens. Our most significant partnership is with Feed the Children in the United States, through which we provide donations, complimentary temperature-controlled transportation of food products, and volunteer opportunities for our associates.

## **REGULATORY MATTERS**

Many laws and governmental regulations are applicable to our properties and changes in these laws and regulations, or interpretation of such laws and regulations by agencies and the courts, occur frequently.

#### **Environmental Matters**

Our properties are subject to a wide range of environmental laws and regulations in each of the locations in which we operate, and compliance with these requirements involves significant capital and operating costs. Failure to comply with these environmental requirements can result in civil or criminal fines or sanctions, claims for environmental damages, remediation obligations, revocation of environmental permits or restrictions on our operations. Future changes in environmental laws or in the interpretation of those laws, including stricter requirements affecting our operations, could result in increased capital and operating costs, which could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition, liquidity, results of operations and, consequently, amounts available for distribution to our shareholders.

## Food Safety Regulations

Most of our properties in the United States are subject to compliance with federal regulations regarding food safety. Under the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002, the United States Food and Drug Administration, or the FDA, requires us to register all warehouses in which food is stored and further requires us to maintain records of sources and recipients of food for purposes of food recalls.

The Food Safety Modernization Act, or FSMA significantly expanded the FDA's authority over food safety, providing the FDA with new tools to proactively ensure the safety of the entire food system, including new hazard analysis and preventive controls requirements, food safety planning, requirements for sanitary transportation of food, and increased inspections and mandatory food recalls under certain circumstances. The most significant rule under the FSMA which impacts our business is the Current Good Manufacturing Practice and Hazard Analysis and Risk-Based Preventive Controls for Human Food rule. This rule requires a food facility to establish a food safety system that includes an analysis of hazards and the implementation of risk-based preventive controls, among other steps. This is in addition to requirements that we satisfy existing Good Manufacturing Practices with respect to the holding of foods, as set forth in FDA regulations. The USDA also grants to some of our warehouses "ID status," which entitles us to handle products of the USDA. Any products destined for export must also satisfy the applicable export requirements. As a result of the regulatory framework from the FDA, the USDA and other local regulatory requirements, we subject our warehouses to periodic food safety audits which are for the most part carried out by a recognized global, third-party provider of such audits. In addition to meeting any applicable food safety, food facility registration and record-keeping requirements, our customers often require us to perform food safety audits.

To the extent we fail to comply with existing food safety regulations or contractual obligations, or are required to comply with new regulations or obligations in the future, it could adversely affect our business,

financial condition, liquidity, results of operations and prospects, as well as the amount of funds available for distribution to our shareholders.

## Occupational Safety and Health Act, or OSHA

Our properties in the United States are subject to regulation under OSHA, which requires employers to provide associates with a safe work environment free from hazards, such as exposure to toxic chemicals, excessive noise levels, mechanical dangers, heat or cold stress and unsanitary conditions. In addition, due to the amount of ammonia stored at some of our facilities, we are also subject to compliance with OSHA's Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals standard and OSHA's ongoing National Emphasis Program related to potential releases of highly hazardous chemicals. The cost of complying with OSHA and similar laws enacted by states and other jurisdictions in which we operate can be substantial, and any failure to comply with these regulations could expose us to substantial penalties and potentially to liabilities to associates who may be injured at our warehouses.

## **International Regulations**

Our international facilities are subject to many local laws and regulations which govern a wide range of matters, including food safety, building, environmental, health and safety, hazardous substances, waste minimization, as well as specific requirements for the storage of meat, dairy products, fish, poultry, agricultural and other products. Any products destined for export must also satisfy the applicable export requirements. A failure to comply with, or the cost of complying with, these laws and regulations could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, liquidity, results of operations and prospects and, consequently the amounts available for distribution to our shareholders.

## INSURANCE COVERAGE

We carry comprehensive general liability, fire, extended coverage, business interruption and umbrella liability coverage on all of our properties with limits of liability which we deem adequate. Similarly, we are insured against the risk of direct physical damage in amounts we believe to be adequate to reimburse us on a replacement basis for costs incurred to repair or rebuild each property, including loss of business profits during the reconstruction period. We also carry coverage for customers' products in our warehouses that are damaged due to our negligence. The cost of all such insurance is passed through to customers as part of their regular rates for storage and handling.

We are self-insured for workers' compensation and health insurance under a large-deductible program, meaning that we have accrued liabilities in amounts that we consider appropriate to cover losses in these areas. In addition, we maintain excess loss coverage to insure against losses in excess of the reserves that we have established for these claims in amounts that we consider appropriate.

We will not carry insurance for generally uninsured losses such as loss from riots or war; however, we do include coverage for risks across all programs for acts of terrorism. We carry earthquake insurance on our properties in areas known to be seismically active and flood insurance on our properties in areas known to be flood zones, in an amount and with deductibles which we believe are commercially reasonable. We also carry insurance coverage relating to cybersecurity incidents commensurate with the size and nature of our operations.

#### **ITEM 1A. Risk Factors**

Investing in our common stock involves risks and uncertainties. Below is a summary of the principal risks involving an investment in our common stock. This summary does not address all of the risks that we face. Additional discussion of the risks summarized in this risk factor summary, and other risks that we face, can be found below under the heading "Risk Factors" and should be carefully considered, together with other information in this Form 10-K and our other filings with the SEC, before making an investment decision regarding our common stock.

#### **Risks Related to Public Health Crises**

• We face various risks and uncertainties related to public health crises, including the recent and ongoing global outbreak of the novel coronavirus COVID-19.

## Risks Related to our Business and Operations

- Our investments are concentrated in the temperature-controlled warehouse industry, and our business would be materially and adversely affected by an economic downturn in that industry or the geographic markets in which we are concentrated.
- We are exposed to risks associated with expansion and development, which could result in disappointing returns and unforeseen costs and liabilities.
- A portion of our future growth depends upon acquisitions and we may be unable to identify, complete and successfully integrate acquisitions of suitable properties, which may impede our growth, and our future acquisitions may not yield the returns we expect.
- A failure of our information technology systems, cybersecurity attacks or a breach of our information security systems, networks or processes could cause business disruptions and loss of confidential information and may materially adversely affect our business.
- Privacy and data security concerns, and data collection and transfer restrictions and related foreign regulations may adversely affect our business.
- Wage increases driven by applicable legislation and competitive pressures on employee wages and benefits could negatively affect our operating margins and our ability to attract qualified personnel.
- Recent acquisitions, including the Agro Merchants Acquisition, may not achieve their intended benefits or may disrupt our plans and operations.
- Our current and potential international operations and properties subject us to additional risks, including risks associated with entry into new markets and applicability of differing regulatory requirements.
- Competition in our markets may increase over time if our competitors open new warehouses.
- We may be unable to successfully expand our operations into new markets.
- We depend on certain customers for a substantial amount of our warehouse segment revenues.
- The short-term nature and lack of fixed storage commitments of many of our customer contracts exposes us to certain risks that could have a material adverse effect on us.
- We may be subject to work stoppages, which could increase our operating costs and disrupt our operations.
- Our warehouse business outside the United States exposes us to losses resulting from currency fluctuations.
- We may incur liabilities or harm our reputation as a result of quality-control issues associated with our warehouse storage and other services.
- Our temperature-controlled warehouse infrastructure may become obsolete or unmarketable, and we may not be able to upgrade our equipment cost-effectively or at all.
- We use in-house trucking services and third-party trucking service providers to provide transportation services to our customers, and any increased severity or frequency of accidents or other claims, changes

- in regulations, delays or disruptions in providing theses transportation services, or damages caused to products during transportation, could have a material adverse effect on us.
- We participate in multiemployer pension plans administered by labor unions. To the extent we or other employers withdraw from participation in any of these plans, we could face additional liability from our participation therein.
- Power costs may increase or be subject to volatility, which could result in increased costs that we may be unable to hedge or recover.
- We hold leasehold interests in 62 of our warehouses, and we may be forced to vacate our warehouses if we default on our obligations thereunder and we will be forced to vacate our warehouses if we are unable to renew such leases upon their expiration.

## **General Risks Related to the Real Estate Industry**

- Our performance and value are subject to economic conditions affecting the real estate market, temperature-controlled warehouses in particular, as well as the broader economy.
- We could incur significant costs related to environmental conditions and liabilities.
- Our insurance coverage may be insufficient to cover potential environmental liabilities.

## Risks Related to our Debt Financings

- We have a substantial amount of indebtedness that may limit our financial and operating activities.
- We are dependent on external sources of capital, the continuing availability of which is uncertain.

## Risks Related to our Organization and Structure

 Our declaration of trust contains provisions that make removal of our trustees difficult, which could make it difficult for our shareholders to effect changes to our management.

#### Risks Related to our Common Shares

Our cash available for distribution to shareholders may not be sufficient to pay distributions at expected levels, or at all, and we may
need to increase our borrowings or otherwise raise capital in order to make such distributions; consequently, we may not be able to
make such distributions in full.

## **REIT and Tax Related Risks**

- Failure to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes would have a material adverse effect on us.
- Complying with REIT requirements may cause us to forgo otherwise attractive opportunities or liquidate certain of our investments.

#### **Risk Factors**

Set forth below are certain risk factors that could harm our business, results of operations and financial condition. You should carefully read the following risk factors, together with the financial statements, related notes and other information contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Our business, financial condition and operating results may suffer if any of the following risks are realized. If any of these risks or uncertainties occur, the trading price of our common shares could decline and you might lose all or part of your investment. This Annual Report on Form 10-K contains forward-looking statements that contain risks and uncertainties. Please refer to the discussion of "Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements."

#### Risks Related to Public Health Crises

We face various risks and uncertainties related to public health crises, including the recent and ongoing global outbreak of the novel coronavirus and variants (COVID-19). The COVID-19 pandemic is growing and its impacts are uncertain and hard to measure and may have a material adverse effect on us.

We face various risks and uncertainties related to public health crises, including the recent and ongoing global COVID-19 pandemic, which has disrupted financial markets and significantly impacted worldwide economic activity to date and is likely to continue to do so. Some of these risks include:

- potential work stoppages, including due to spread of the disease among our associates or due to shutdowns that may be requested or mandated by governmental authorities;
  - that may be requested or mandated by governmental authorities;
- labor unrest due to risks of disease from working with other associates and outside vendors;
- economic impacts, including increased labor costs, from mitigation and other measures undertaken by us and/or third parties to support and protect our associates or the food supply;
  - or third parties to support and protect our associates or the food supply;
- completing developments on time or an inability of our contractors to perform as a result of spread of disease among associates of our contractors and other construction partners or due to shutdowns that may be requested or mandated by governmental authorities:
- limiting the ability of our customers to comply with the terms of their contracts with us, including in making timely payments to us;
- increased political polarization;
- limiting the ability of our suppliers and partners to comply with the terms of their contracts with us, including in making timely delivery of supplies to us such as ammonia necessary for the operation of our temperature-controlled warehouses;
- long-term volatility in or reduced demand for temperature-controlled warehouse storage and related handling and other warehouse services;
- adverse impact on the value of our real estate;
- reduced ability to execute our growth strategies, including identifying and completing acquisitions and expanding into new markets; and
- the exacerbation of other risks discussed in our Annual Report arising from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused, and is likely to continue to cause, severe economic, market and other disruptions worldwide, which could lead to material impairments of our assets, increases in our allowance for credit losses and changes in judgments in determining the fair value of our assets. Conditions in the bank lending, capital and other financial markets may deteriorate, and our access to capital and other sources of funding may become constrained or more costly, which could materially and adversely affect the availability and terms of future borrowings, renewals, re-financings and other capital raises.

The extent to which COVID-19 impacts our operations will depend on future developments, which are highly uncertain and cannot be predicted with any degree of confidence, including the scope, severity, duration and geographies of the outbreak, the actions taken to contain the COVID-19 pandemic or mitigate its impact requested or mandated by governmental authorities or otherwise voluntarily taken by individuals or businesses, and the direct and indirect economic effects of the illness and containment measures, among others. As a result, we cannot at this time predict the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, but it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, liquidity, results of operations and prospects.

To the extent the COVID-19 pandemic adversely affects our business, financial condition, liquidity, results of operations or prospects, it may also have the effect of heightening many of the other risks described in this Annual Report under the heading "Risk Factors".

## Risks Related to our Business and Operations

Our investments are concentrated in the temperature-controlled warehouse industry, and our business would be materially and adversely affected by an economic downturn in that industry or the markets for our customers' products.

Our investments in real estate assets are concentrated in the industrial real estate industry, specifically in temperature-controlled warehouses. This concentration exposes us to the risk of economic downturns in this industry to a greater extent than if our business activities included a more significant portion of other sectors of the real estate market. We are also exposed to fluctuations in the markets for the commodities and finished products that we store in our warehouses. For example, the demand for poultry and poultry products directly impacts the need for temperature-controlled warehouse space to store poultry and poultry products for our customers. Although our customers store a diverse product mix in our temperature-controlled warehouses, declines in demand for their products could cause our customers to reduce their inventory levels at our warehouses, which could reduce the storage and other fees payable to us and materially and adversely affect us.

We are exposed to risks associated with expansion and development, which could result in disappointing returns and unforeseen costs and liabilities.

We have engaged, and expect to continue to engage, in expansion and development activities with respect to certain of our legacy or newly acquired properties. Expansion and development activities subject us to certain risks not present in the acquisition of existing properties (the risks of which are described below), including, without limitation, the following:

- our pipeline of expansion and development opportunities are at various stages of discussion and consideration and, based on historical experiences, many of them may not be pursued or completed as contemplated or at all;
- the availability and timing of financing on favorable terms or at all;
- the availability and timely receipt of zoning and regulatory approvals, which could result in increased costs and could require us to abandon our activities entirely with respect to the warehouse for which we are unable to obtain permits or authorizations;
- the cost and timely completion within budget of construction due to increased land, materials, labor or other costs (including risks beyond our control, such as weather or labor conditions, or material shortages), which could make completion of the warehouse or the expansion thereof uneconomical, and we may not be able to increase revenues to compensate for the increase in construction costs;
- we may be unable to complete construction of a warehouse or the expansion thereof on schedule due to availability of labor or materials or other factors outside of our control, resulting in increased debt service expense and construction costs;
- we may experience delays in receiving materials or support from vendors or contractors which could impact the timing of stabilization of expansion and development projects;
- the potential that we may expend funds on and devote management time and attention to projects which we do not complete;
- a completed expansion project or a newly-developed warehouse may fail to achieve, or take longer than anticipated to achieve, expected occupancy rates, and may fail to perform as expected; and
- we may not be able to achieve targeted returns and budgeted stabilized returns on invested capital on our expansion and development opportunities due to the risks described above, and an expansion or development may not be profitable and could lose money.

These risks could create substantial unanticipated delays and expenses and, in certain circumstances, prevent the initiation or completion of expansion or development as contemplated or at all, any of which could materially and adversely affect us.

## Our growth may strain our management and resources, which may have a material adverse affect on us.

We have grown rapidly over prior years, including by expanding our internal resources, making acquisitions, and entering new markets. Our growth will place a strain on our management, operational, financial and information systems, and procedures and controls to expand, train and control our employee base. Our need for working capital will increase as our operations grow. We can provide no assurance that we will be able to adapt our portfolio management, administrative, accounting, information technology and operational systems to support any growth we may experience. Failure to oversee our current portfolio of properties and manage our growth effectively, or to obtain necessary working capital and funds for capital improvements, could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, cash flow, financial condition and stock price.

A portion of our future growth depends upon acquisitions and we may be unable to identify, complete and successfully integrate acquisitions, which may impede our growth, and our future acquisitions may not yield the returns we expect.

Our ability to expand through acquisitions requires us to identify and complete acquisitions that are compatible with our growth strategy and to successfully integrate and operate these newly-acquired businesses. We continually evaluate acquisition opportunities, but cannot guarantee that suitable opportunities currently exist or will exist in the future. Our ability to identify and acquire suitable properties on favorable terms and to successfully integrate and operate them may be constrained by the following risks:

- we face competition from other real estate investors with significant capital, including REITs, institutional investment funds and special purpose acquisition companies, which may be able to accept more risk than we can prudently manage, including risks associated with paying higher acquisition prices;
- we face competition from other potential acquirers that may significantly increase the purchase price for a property we acquire, which could reduce our growth prospects or returns;
- we may incur significant costs and divert management's attention in connection with evaluating and negotiating potential acquisitions, including ones that we are subsequently unable to complete;
- we may acquire properties that are not accretive to our operating and financial results upon acquisition, and we may be unsuccessful in integrating and operating such properties in accordance with our expectations;
- our cash flow from an acquired property may be insufficient to meet our required principal and interest payments with respect to any debt used to finance the acquisition of such property;
- we may discover unexpected items, such as unknown liabilities, during our due diligence investigation of a potential acquisition or other customary closing conditions may not be satisfied, causing us to abandon an acquisition opportunity after incurring expenses related thereto;
- we may face opposition from governmental authorities or third parties alleging that potential acquisition transactions are anti-competitive, and as a result, we may have to spend a significant amount of time and expense to respond to related inquiries, or governmental authorities may prohibit the transaction or impose terms or conditions that are unacceptable to us;
- we may fail to obtain financing for an acquisition on favorable terms or at all;
- we may be unable to make, or may spend more than budgeted amounts to make, necessary improvements or renovations to acquired properties;
- we may spend more than budgeted amounts to meet customer specifications on a newly-acquired warehouse;
- market conditions may result in higher than expected vacancy rates and lower than expected storage charges, rent or fees;
   or
- we may, without any recourse, or with only limited recourse, acquire properties subject to liabilities, such as liabilities for clean-up of undisclosed environmental contamination, claims by customers, vendors or other persons dealing with the former owners of the properties, liabilities incurred in the ordinary course of business and claims for indemnification by general partners, directors, officers and others indemnified by the former owners of the properties.

Our inability to identify and complete suitable property acquisitions on favorable terms or at all, or to integrate and operate newly-acquired properties to meet our financial, operational and strategic expectations, could have a material adverse effect on us.

A failure of our information technology systems, cybersecurity attacks or a breach of our information security systems, networks or processes could cause business disruptions and the loss of confidential information and may materially adversely affect our business.

We rely extensively on our computer systems to process transactions, operate and manage our business. Despite efforts to avoid or mitigate such risks, external and internal risks, such as malware, ransomware, insecure coding, data leakage and human error pose direct threats to the stability and effectiveness of our information technology systems. The failure of our information technology systems to perform as anticipated could adversely affect our business through transaction errors, billing and invoicing errors, processing inefficiencies or errors and

loss of sales, receivables, collections and customers, in each case, which could result in reputational damage and have an ongoing adverse effect on our business, results of operation and financial condition.

We may also be subject to cybersecurity attacks and other intentional hacking. These attacks could include attempts to gain unauthorized access to our data and computer systems. In particular, as discussed further below, our operations have been, and may in the future be, subject to ransomware or cyber-extortion attacks, which could significantly disrupt our operations. Generally, such attacks involve restricting access to computer systems or vital data. We employ a number of measures to prevent, detect and mitigate these threats, which include password protection, frequent password changes, firewall detection systems, frequent backups, a redundant data system for core applications and annual penetration testing; however, there is no guarantee such efforts will be successful in preventing a cybersecurity attack. A cybersecurity attack or breach could compromise the confidential information of our associates, customers and vendors. A successful attack could result in service interruptions, operational difficulties, loss of revenue or market share, liability to our customers or others, diversion of corporate resources and injury to our reputation and increased costs. Addressing such issues could prove difficult or impossible and be very costly. Responding to claims or liability could similarly involve substantial costs. In addition, our customers rely extensively on computer systems to process transactions and manage their business and thus their businesses are also at risk from, and may be impacted by, cybersecurity attacks. An interruption in the business operations.

On November 16, 2020 and on November 30, 2020, we filed Current Reports on Form 8-K disclosing that our computer network was affected by a cyber security incident. We incurred, and continue to incur, costs relating to this event, including to retain third party consultants and forensic experts to assist with the restoration and remediation of systems and, with the assistance of law enforcement, to investigate and respond to the incident, as well as increased expenditures for our information technology (IT) infrastructure, systems and network. We carry insurance, including cyber insurance commensurate with the size and nature of our operations. While the November 2020 incident did not have a material impact on us, there can be no assurance that this incident or future incidents will not have a material adverse effect on our business, consolidated results of operations, and consolidated financial condition.

Privacy and data security concerns, and data collection and transfer restrictions and related regulations may adversely affect our business.

Many foreign countries and governmental bodies, including the European Union, where we now conduct business, have laws and regulations concerning the collection and use of personal data obtained from their residents or by businesses operating within their jurisdiction. These laws and regulations often are more restrictive than those in the United States. Laws and regulations in these jurisdictions apply broadly to the collection, use, storage, disclosure and security of data that identifies or may be used to identify or locate an individual, such as names, email addresses and, in some jurisdictions, IP addresses.

Recently, there has been heightened interest and enforcement focus on data protection regulations and standards both in the United States and abroad. For example, in November 2020, California voters approved Proposition 24 (Consumer Personal Information Law and Agency Initiative), which will increase data privacy requirements for our business when its provisions take effect in 2023. We expect that there will continue to be new proposed laws, regulations and industry standards concerning privacy, data protection and information security in the United States, the European Union, and other jurisdictions. For example, the European Commission adopted a General Data Protection Regulation, or the GDPR, that became fully effective on May 25, 2018, superseding prior European Union data protection legislation, imposing more stringent European Union data protection requirements, and providing for greater penalties for noncompliance. The United Kingdom enacted the Data Protection Act that substantially implements the GDPR. More generally, we cannot yet fully determine the impact these or future laws, regulations and standards may have on our business. Privacy, data

protection and information security laws and regulations are often subject to differing interpretations, may be inconsistent among jurisdictions, and may be alleged to be inconsistent with our current or future practices. Additionally, we may be bound by contractual requirements applicable to our collection, use, processing, and disclosure of various types of data, including personal data, and may be bound by, or voluntarily comply with, self-regulatory or other industry standards relating to these matters. These and other requirements could increase our costs, impair our ability to grow our business, or restrict our ability to store and process data or, in some cases, impact our ability to operate our business in some locations and may subject us to liability. Any failure or perceived failure to comply with applicable laws, regulations, industry standards, and contractual obligations may adversely affect our business.

Further, in view of new or modified foreign laws and regulations, industry standards, contractual obligations and other legal obligations, or any changes in their interpretation, we may find it necessary or desirable to fundamentally change our business activities and practices or to expend significant resources to adapt to these changes. We may be unable to make such changes and modifications in a commercially reasonable manner or at all.

The costs of compliance with and other burdens imposed by laws, regulations and standards may limit the use and adoption of our service and reduce overall demand for it. Failure to comply with applicable data protection regulations or standards may expose us to litigation, fines, sanctions or other penalties, which could damage our reputation and adversely impact our business, results of operation and financial condition. Privacy, information security, and data protection concerns may inhibit market adoption of our business, particularly in certain industries and foreign countries.

Wage increases driven by applicable legislation and competitive pressures on employee wages and benefits could negatively affect our operating margins and our ability to attract qualified personnel.

Our hourly associates in the U.S. and internationally are typically paid wage rates above the applicable minimum wage. However, increases in the minimum wage will increase our labor costs if we are to continue paying our hourly associates above the applicable minimum wage. If we are unable to continue paying our hourly associates above the applicable minimum wage, we may be unable to hire and retain qualified personnel. The U.S. federal minimum wage has been \$7.25 per hour since July 24, 2009. From time to time, various U.S. federal, state and local legislators have proposed or enacted significant changes to the minimum wage requirements. For example, certain local or regional governments in places such as Chicago, Los Angeles, Seattle, San Francisco, Portland and New York have approved phased-in increases that eventually will take their minimum wage to as high as \$16.00 per hour. In addition, specific legislative and regulatory proposals regarding an increase in the federal minimum wage were discussed during the most recent election campaigns and more recently. If such increases were to occur nationally or in specific markets in which we operate, our operating margins would be negatively affected unless we are able to increase our rent, storage fees and handling fees in order to pass increased labor costs on to our customers. Our standard contract forms include rate protection for uncontrollable costs such as labor, or costs associated with regulatory action, however, despite such provisions, we may not be able to fully pass through these increased costs.

Competitive pressures may also require that we enhance our pay and benefits package to compete effectively for such personnel (including costs associated with health insurance coverage or workers' compensation insurance) or offer retention bonuses. If we fail to attract and retain qualified and skilled personnel, we could be materially and adversely affected.

Our temperature-controlled warehouses are concentrated in certain geographic areas, some of which are particularly susceptible to adverse local conditions.

Although we own or hold leasehold interests in warehouses across the United States and globally, many of these warehouses are concentrated in a few geographic areas. For example, approximately 39.7% of our owned or leased warehouses are located in six states; with approximately 10.6% in Georgia, 6.3% in New Jersey, 6.3% in Pennsylvania, 5.8% in California, 5.4% in Texas and 5.2% in Arkansas (in each case, on a refrigerated cubic-foot basis based on information as of December 31, 2020). In addition, as a result of the Agro Merchants Acquisition, we now have a significantly increased presence in the European market (approximately 6.3%). We could be materially and adversely affected if conditions in any of the markets in which we have a concentration of properties become less favorable. Such conditions may include natural disasters, periods of economic slowdown or recession, localized oversupply in warehousing space or reductions in demand for warehousing space, adverse agricultural events, disruptions in logistics systems, such as transportation and tracking systems for our customers' inventory, and power outages. Adverse agricultural events include, but are not limited to, the cost of commodity inputs, drought and disease. In addition, adverse weather patterns may affect local harvests, which could have an adverse effect on our customers and cause them to reduce their inventory levels at our warehouses, which could in turn materially and adversely affect us.

## Acquisitions, including the Agro Merchants Acquisition, may not achieve its intended benefits or may disrupt our plans and operations.

On December 30, 2020, we completed the acquisition of Agro Merchants (the "Agro Merchants Acquisition"). The Agro Merchants Acquisition is a significant acquisition for us, and there can be no assurance that we will be able to successfully integrate Agro Merchants with our business or otherwise realize the expected benefits of the Agro Merchants Acquisition. Our ability to realize the anticipated benefits of the Agro Merchants Acquisition will depend, to a large extent, on our ability to integrate Agro Merchants with our business. The combination of two independent businesses may be a complex, costly and time-consuming process. Our business may be negatively impacted following the Agro Merchants Acquisition if we are unable to effectively manage our expanded operations. The integration process will require significant time and focus from our management, financial and human resources teams following the Agro Merchants Acquisition and may divert attention from the day-to-day operations of the combined business.

The expected synergies and operating efficiencies of our acquisitions, including the Agro Merchants Acquisition, may not be fully realized, which could result in increased costs and/or lower revenues and have a material adverse effect on us. In addition, the overall integration of the businesses may result in material unanticipated problems, expenses, liabilities, competitive responses, loss of customer relationships and diversion of management's attention, among other potential adverse consequences. Acquired businesses may also be subject to unknown or contingent liabilities for which we may have no or limited recourse against the sellers. The total amount of costs and expenses that we may incur with respect to liabilities associated with acquisitions, including Agro Merchants, may exceed our expectations, which may materially and adversely affect us.

## We are subject to additional risks with respect to our current and potential international operations and properties and our European operations and properties in particular in light of the Agro Merchants Acquisition.

As of December 31, 2020, we owned or had a leasehold interest in 40 temperature-controlled warehouses outside the United States, and we managed two warehouses outside the United States on behalf of third parties. We also intend to strategically grow our portfolio globally through acquisitions of temperature-controlled warehouses in attractive international markets to service demonstrable customer demand where we believe the anticipated risk-adjusted returns are consistent with our investment objectives. However, there is no assurance that our existing customer relationships will support our international operations in any meaningful way or at all. Our international operations and properties and in particular our newly acquired European operations and properties, could be affected by factors peculiar to the laws and business practices of the jurisdictions in which our warehouses are located. These laws and business practices expose us to risks that are different than or in addition

to those commonly found in the United States. Risks relating to our international operations and properties include:

- changing governmental rules and policies, including changes in land use and zoning laws;
- enactment of laws relating to the international ownership and leasing of real property or mortgages and laws restricting the ability to remove profits earned from activities within a particular country to a person's or company's country of origin;
- changes in laws or policies governing foreign trade or investment and use of foreign operations or workers, and any negative sentiments towards multinational companies as a result of any such changes to laws or policies or due to trends such as political populism and economic nationalism;
- variations in currency exchange rates and the imposition of currency controls;
- adverse market conditions caused by terrorism, civil unrest, natural disasters, infectious disease and changes in international, national or local governmental or economic conditions;
- business disruptions arising from public health crises and outbreaks of communicable diseases, including the recent coronavirus outbreak;
- the willingness of U.S. or international lenders to make mortgage loans in certain countries and changes in the availability, cost and terms of secured and unsecured debt resulting from varying governmental economic policies;
- the imposition of unique tax structures and changes in real estate and other tax rates and other operating expenses in particular countries, including the potential imposition of adverse or confiscatory taxes;
- the potential imposition of restrictions on currency conversions or the transfer of funds;
- general political and economic instability;
- our limited experience and expertise in foreign countries, particularly European countries, relative to our experience and expertise in the United States;

If any of the foregoing risks were to materialize, they could materially and adversely affect us.

## Competition in our markets may increase over time if our competitors open new warehouses.

We compete with other owners and operators of temperature-controlled warehouses (including our customers or potential customers who may choose to provide temperature-controlled warehousing in-house), some of which own properties similar to ours in similar geographic locations. In recent years, our competitors, including Lineage Logistics, LLC, United States Cold Storage, Inc. (an affiliate of John Swire & Sons), Interstate Warehousing, Burris Logistics, NewCold Advanced Cold Logistics, Hanson Logistics and Seafrigo Logistics have added, through construction, development and acquisition, temperature-controlled warehouses in certain of our markets. In addition, our customers or potential customers may choose to develop new temperature-controlled warehouses, expand their existing temperature-controlled warehouses or upgrade their equipment. Many of our warehouses are older, and as our warehouses and equipment age and newer warehouses and equipment come onto the market, we may lose existing or potential customers, and we may be pressured to reduce our rent and storage and other fees below those we currently charge in order to retain customers. If we lose one or more customers, we cannot assure you that we would be able to replace those customers on attractive terms or at all. We also may be forced to invest in new construction or reposition existing warehouses at significant costs in order to remain competitive. Increased capital expenditures or the loss of warehouse segment revenues resulting from lower occupancy or storage rates could have a material adverse effect on us.

## We may be unable to successfully expand our operations into new markets.

If the opportunity arises, we may acquire or develop properties in new markets. In particular, we have determined to strategically grow our warehouse portfolio in attractive international markets. In addition to the

risks described above under "—A portion of our future growth depends upon acquisitions and we may be unable to identify and complete acquisitions of suitable properties, which may impede our growth, and our future acquisitions may not yield the returns we expect" and "—We are exposed to risks associated with expansion and development, which could result in disappointing returns and unforeseen costs and liabilities," the acquisition or development of properties in new markets will subject us to the risks associated with a lack of understanding of the related economy and unfamiliarity with government and permitting procedures. We will also not possess the same level of familiarity with the dynamics and market conditions of any new market that we may enter, which could adversely affect our ability to successfully expand and operate in such market. We may be unable to build a significant market share or achieve a desired return on our investments in new markets. If we are unsuccessful in expanding and operating in new, high-growth markets, it could have a material adverse effect on us.

## We depend on certain customers for a substantial amount of our warehouse segment revenues.

During the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, our 25 largest customers in our warehouse segment contributed approximately 55% and 60%, respectively, of our pro-forma warehouse segment revenues assuming all acquisitions occurred at the beginning of the year, excluding the Agro acquisition. As of December 31, 2020, we had one customer that accounted for 7.8% of our warehouse segment revenues and seven customers that each accounted for at least 2% of our warehouse segment revenues, also on a pro-forma basis, excluding the Agro acquisition. In addition, as of December 31, 2020, 43 of our warehouses were predominantly single-customer warehouses. If any of our most significant customers were to discontinue or otherwise reduce their use of our warehouses or other services, which they are generally free to do at any time unless they are party to a contract that includes a fixed storage commitment, we would be materially and adversely affected. While we have contracts with stated terms with certain of our customers, most of our contracts do not obligate our customers to use our warehouses or provide for fixed storage commitments. Moreover, a decrease in demand for certain commodities or products produced by our significant customers and stored in our temperature-controlled warehouses would lower our physical occupancy rates and use of our services. without lowering our fixed costs, which could have a material adverse effect on us. In addition, any of our significant customers could experience a downturn in their businesses as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic or otherwise, which may weaken their financial condition and liquidity and result in their failure to make timely payments to us or otherwise default under their contracts. Cancellation of, or failure of a significant customer to perform under, a contract could require us to seek replacement customers. However, there can be no assurance that we would be able to find suitable replacements on favorable terms in a timely manner or at all or reposition the warehouses without incurring significant costs. Moreover, a bankruptcy filing by or relating to any of our significant customers could prevent or delay us from collecting pre-bankruptcy obligations. The bankruptcy, insolvency or financial deterioration of our significant customers, could materially and adversely affect us.

In addition, while some of our warehouses are located in primary markets, others are located in secondary and tertiary markets that are specifically suited to the particular needs of the customer utilizing these warehouses. For example, our production advantaged warehouses typically serve one or a small number of customers. These warehouses are also generally located adjacent to or otherwise in close proximity to customer processing or production facilities and were often build-to-suit at the time of their construction. If customers who utilize this type of warehouse, which may be located in remote areas, relocate their processing or production plants, default or otherwise cease to use our warehouses, then we may be unable to find replacement customers for these warehouses on favorable terms or at all or, if we find replacement customers, we may have to incur significant costs to reposition these warehouses for the replacement customers' needs, any of which could have a material adverse effect on us.

The short-term nature and lack of fixed storage commitments of many of our customer contracts exposes us to certain risks that could have a material adverse effect on us.

On a combined pro forma basis assuming all 2020 acquisitions occurred as of the beginning of the year with the exception of Agro, 46.5% of our warehouse segment revenues were generated from contracts with a fixed storage commitment or leases with customers as of December 31, 2020. On a combined pro forma basis, 40.7% of rent and storage revenue were generated from fixed commitment storage contracts for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Our customer contracts that do not contain fixed storage commitments typically do not require our customers to utilize a minimum number of pallet positions or provide for guaranteed fixed payment obligations from any customers to us. Moreover, a substantial number of Agro Merchants' client contracts are short-term in nature, do not require a minimum fixed storage commitment obligation and/or are subject to termination at the client's option or upon the occurrence of a change of control (like the Agro Merchants Acquisition). As a result, most of our customers may discontinue or otherwise reduce their use of our warehouses or other services in their discretion at any time, without lowering our fixed costs, which could have a material adverse effect on us. Additionally, we have discrete pricing for our customers based upon their unique profiles. Therefore, a shift in the mix of business types or customers could negatively impact our financial results.

The storage and other fees we generate from customers with month-to-month warehouse rate agreements may be adversely affected by declines in market storage and other fee rates more quickly than with respect to our contracts that contain stated terms. There also can be no assurance that we will be able to retain any customers upon the expiration of their contracts (whether month-to-month warehouse rate agreements or contracts) or leases. If we cannot retain our customers, or if our customers that are not party to contracts with fixed storage commitments elect not to store goods in our warehouses, we may be unable to find replacement customers on favorable terms or at all or on a timely basis and we may incur significant expenses in obtaining replacement customers and repositioning warehouses to meet their needs. Any of the foregoing could materially and adversely affect us.

## We may be subject to work stoppages, which could increase our operating costs and disrupt our operations.

Certain portions of our operations are subject to collective bargaining agreements. As of December 31, 2020, worldwide, we employed approximately 16,300 people, approximately 37% of which were represented by various local labor unions, and 84 of our 238 warehouses have unionized associates that are governed by 73 different collective bargaining agreements. Unlike owners of industrial warehouses, we hire our own workforce to handle product in and out of storage for our customers. Strikes, slowdowns, lockouts or other industrial disputes could cause us to experience a significant disruption in our operations, as well as increase our operating costs, which could materially and adversely affect us. If a greater percentage of our work force becomes unionized, we could be materially and adversely affected. Since January 1, 2016, we have successfully negotiated 95 collective bargaining agreements without any work stoppages. During the calendar year 2020 we successfully negotiated and renewed 19 agreements. If we fail to re-negotiate our expired or expiring collective bargaining agreements on favorable terms in a timely manner or at all, we could be materially and adversely affected.

## Our warehouse business outside the United States exposes us to losses resulting from currency fluctuations.

Our warehouse business outside the United States exposes us to losses resulting from currency fluctuations, as the revenues associated with our international operations and properties are typically generated in the local currency of each of the countries in which the properties are located. Fluctuations in exchange rates between these currencies and the U.S. dollar will therefore give rise to non-U.S. currency exposure, which could materially and adversely affect us. We naturally hedge this exposure by incurring operating costs in the same currency as the revenue generated by the related property. We may attempt to mitigate any such effects by entering into currency exchange rate hedging arrangements where it is practical to do so and where such hedging arrangements are available. These hedging arrangements may bear substantial costs, however, and may not eliminate all related risks. We cannot assure you that our efforts will successfully mitigate our currency risks.

Moreover, if we do engage in currency exchange rate hedging activities, any income recognized with respect to these hedges (as well as any foreign currency gain recognized with respect to changes in exchange rates) may not qualify under the 75% gross income test or the 95% gross income test that we must satisfy annually in order to qualify as a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the Code.

We may incur liabilities or harm our reputation as a result of quality-control issues associated with our warehouse storage and other services.

We store frozen and perishable food and other products and provide food processing, repackaging and other services. Product contamination, spoilage, other adulteration, product tampering or other quality control issues could occur at any of our facilities or during the transportation of these products, which could cause our customers to lose all or a portion of their inventory. We could be liable for the costs incurred by our customers as a result of the lost inventory, and we also may be subject to liability, which could be material, if any of the frozen and perishable food products we stored, processed, repackaged or transported caused injury, illness or death. The occurrence of any of the foregoing may negatively impact our brand and reputation and otherwise have a material adverse effect on us.

Our temperature-controlled warehouse infrastructure may become obsolete or unmarketable, and we may not be able to upgrade our equipment cost-effectively or at all.

The infrastructure at our temperature-controlled warehouses may become obsolete or unmarketable due to the development of, or demand for, more advanced equipment or enhanced technologies, including increased automation of our warehouses. Increased automation may entail significant start-up costs and time and may not perform as expected. In addition, our information technology platform pursuant to which we provide inventory management and other services to our customers may become outdated. When customers demand new equipment or technologies, the cost could be significant and we may not be able to upgrade our warehouses on a cost-effective basis in a timely manner, or at all, due to, among other things, increased expenses to us that cannot be passed on to customers or insufficient resources to fund the necessary capital expenditures. The obsolescence of our infrastructure or our inability to upgrade our warehouses would likely reduce warehouse segment revenues, which could have a material adverse effect on us.

We use in-house trucking services to provide transportation services to our customers, and any increased severity or frequency of accidents or other claims, changes in regulations or disruptions in services could have a material adverse effect on us.

We use in-house transportation services to provide refrigerated transportation services to our customers. The potential liability associated with accidents in the trucking industry is severe and occurrences are unpredictable. A material increase in the frequency or severity of accidents or workers' compensation claims or the unfavorable development of existing claims could materially and adversely affect our results of operations. In the event that accidents occur, we may be unable to obtain desired contractual indemnities, and our insurance my prove inadequate in certain cases. The occurrence of an event not fully insured or indemnified against or the failure or inability of a customer or insurer to meet its indemnification or insurance obligations could result in substantial losses.

In addition, our trucking services are subject to regulation as a motor carrier by the US Department of Transportation, by various state agencies and by similar authorities in our international operations, whose regulations include certain permit requirements of state highway and safety authorities. These regulatory authorities exercise broad powers over our trucking operations. The trucking industry is subject to possible regulatory and legislative changes that may impact our operations and affect the economics of the industry by requiring changes in operating practices or by changing the demand for or the costs of providing trucking services. Some of these possible changes include increasingly stringent fuel emission limits, changes in the

regulations that govern the amount of time a driver may drive or work in any specific period, limits on vehicle weight and size and other matters including safety requirements.

We use third-party trucking service providers to provide transportation services to our customers and any delays or disruptions in providing these services or damages caused to products during transportation, could have a material averse effect on us.

We also use third-party trucking service providers to provide refrigerated transportation services to our customers. We do not have an exclusive or long-term contractual relationship with any of these third-party trucking service providers, and we can provide no assurance that our customer will have uninterrupted or unlimited access to their transportation assets or services. Any delays or disruptions in providing these transportation services to our customers could reduce the confidence our customers have in our ability to provide transportation services and could impair our ability to retain existing customers or attract new customers. Moreover, in connection with any such delays or disruptions, or if customers' products are damaged or destroyed during transport, we may incur financial obligations or be subject to lawsuits by our customers. Any of these risks could have a material adverse effect on us.

We participate in multiemployer pension plans administered by labor unions. To the extent we or other employers withdraw from participation in any of these plans, we could face additional liability from our participation therein.

As of December 31, 2020, we participated in seven multiemployer pension plans under the terms of collective bargaining agreements with labor unions representing the Company's associates. Approximately 13% of our associates were participants in such multiemployer pension plans as of December 31, 2020. We make periodic contributions to these plans pursuant to the terms of our collective bargaining agreements to allow the plans to meet their pension benefit obligations.

In the event that we withdraw from participation in any of the multiemployer pension plans in which we participate or should any of the pension plans in which we participate fail, the documents governing the applicable plan and applicable law could require us to make an additional contribution to the applicable plan in the amount of the unfunded vested benefits allocable to our participation in the plan, and we would have to reflect that as an expense on our Consolidated Statement of Operations and as a liability on our Consolidated Balance Sheet. Our liability for any multiemployer pension plan would depend on the extent of the plan's funding of vested benefits as of the year in which the withdrawal or failure occurs, and may vary depending on the funded status of the applicable multiemployer pension plan, whether there is a mass withdrawal of all participating employers and whether any other participating employer in the applicable plan withdraws from the plan and is not able to contribute an amount sufficient to fund the unfunded liabilities associated with its participants in the plan. Based on the latest information available from plan administrators, we estimate our share of the aggregate withdrawal liability for the multiemployer pension plans in which we participate could have been as much as \$726.9 million as of December 31, 2020, of which we estimate that certain of our customers are contractually obligated to make indemnification payments to us for approximately \$699.7 million. However, there is no guarantee that, to the extent we incurred any such withdrawal liability, we would be successful in obtaining any indemnification payments therefor.

In the ordinary course of our renegotiation of collective bargaining agreements with labor unions that maintain these plans, we could agree to discontinue participation in one or more plans, and in that event we could face a withdrawal liability. Additionally, we could be treated as withdrawing from a plan if the number of our associates participating in the plan is reduced to a certain degree over certain periods of time.

Some multiemployer pension plans, including ones in which we participate, are reported to have significant underfunded liabilities. Such underfunding could increase the size of our potential withdrawal liability.

Additionally, changes to multiemployer pension plan laws and regulations could increase our potential cost of withdrawing from one or more multiemployer pension plans.

## Power costs may increase or be subject to volatility, which could result in increased costs that we may be unable to recover.

Power is a major operating cost for temperature-controlled warehouses, and the price of power varies substantially between the markets in which we operate, depending on the power source and supply and demand factors. For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, power costs in our warehouse segment accounted for 8.8% and 8.9%, respectively, of the segment's operating expenses. We have implemented programs across our warehouses to reduce overall consumption and to reduce consumption at peak demand periods, when power prices are typically highest. However, there can be no assurance that these programs will be effective in reducing our power consumption or cost of power.

We have entered into, or may in the future enter into, fixed price power purchase agreements in certain deregulated markets whereby we contract for the right to purchase an amount of electric capacity at a fixed rate per kilowatt. These contracts do not obligate us to purchase any minimum amounts but would require negotiation if our capacity requirements were to materially differ from historical usage or exceed the thresholds agreed upon. For example, exceeding these thresholds could have an adverse impact on our incremental power purchase costs if we were to be unable to obtain favorable rates on the incremental purchases.

If the cost of electric power to operate our warehouses increases dramatically or fluctuates widely and we are unable to pass such costs through to customers, we could be materially and adversely affected.

## We could experience power outages or breakdowns of our refrigeration equipment.

Our warehouses are subject to electrical power outages and breakdowns of our refrigeration equipment. We attempt to limit exposure to such occasions by conducting regular maintenance and upgrades to our refrigeration equipment, and using backup generators and power supplies, generally at a significantly higher operating cost than we would pay for an equivalent amount of power from a local utility. However, we may not be able to limit our exposure entirely even with these protections in place. Power outages that last beyond our backup and alternative power arrangements and refrigeration equipment breakdowns would harm our customers and our business. During prolonged power outages and refrigeration equipment breakdowns, changes in humidity and temperature could spoil or otherwise contaminate the frozen and perishable food and other products stored by our customers. We could incur financial obligations to, or be subject to lawsuits by, our customers in connection with these occurrences, which may not be covered by insurance. Any loss of services or product damage could reduce the confidence of our customers in our services and could consequently impair our ability to attract and retain customers. Additionally, in the event of the complete failure of our refrigeration equipment, we would incur significant costs in repairing or replacing our refrigeration equipment, which may not be covered by insurance. Any of the foregoing could have a material adverse effect on us. As of December 31, 2020, we have not had a significant power outage or breakdown of our refrigeration equipment.

We hold leasehold interests in 62 of our warehouses, and we may be forced to vacate our warehouses if we default on our obligations thereunder and we will be forced to vacate our warehouses if we are unable to renew such leases upon their expiration.

As of December 31, 2020, we held leasehold interests in 62 of our warehouses. These leases expire (taking into account our extension options) from December 2021 to September 2052, and have a weighted-average remaining term of 27 years. If we default on any of these leases, we may be liable for damages and could lose our leasehold interest in the applicable property, including all improvements. We would incur significant costs if we were forced to vacate any of these leased warehouses due to, among other matters, the high costs of

relocating the equipment in our warehouses. If we were forced to vacate any of these leased warehouses, we could lose customers that chose our storage or other services based on our location, which could have a material adverse effect on us. Our landlords could attempt to evict us for reasons beyond our control. Further, we may be unable to maintain good working relationships with our landlords, which could adversely affect our relationship with our customers and could result in the loss of customers. In addition, we cannot assure you that we will be able to renew these leases prior to their expiration dates on favorable terms or at all. If we are unable to renew our lease agreements, we will lose our right to operate these warehouses and be unable to derive revenues from these warehouses and, in the case of ground leases, we forfeit all improvements on the land. We could also lose the customers using these warehouses who are unwilling to relocate to another one of our warehouses, which could have a material adverse effect on us. Furthermore, unless we purchase the underlying fee interests in these properties, as to which no assurance can be given, we will not share in any increase in value of the land or improvements beyond the term of such lease, notwithstanding any capital we have invested in the applicable warehouse, especially warehouses subject to ground leases. Even if we are able to renew these leases, the terms and other costs of renewal may be less favorable than our existing lease arrangements. Failure to sufficiently increase revenues from customers at these warehouses to offset these projected higher costs could have a material adverse effect on us.

## Charges for impairment of goodwill or other long-lived assets could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

We regularly monitor the recoverability of our long-lived assets, such as buildings and improvements and machinery and equipment, and evaluate their carrying value for impairment. whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may not be fully recoverable. We review goodwill on an annual basis to determine if impairment has occurred and review the recoverability of fixed assets, generally on a quarterly basis and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that impairment may have occurred or the value of such assets may not be fully recoverable. If such reviews indicate that impairment has occurred, we are required to record a non-cash impairment charge for the difference between the carrying value and fair value of the long-lived assets in the period the determination is made. The testing of long-lived assets and goodwill for impairment requires the use of estimates based on significant assumptions about our future revenue, profitability, cash flows, fair value of assets and liabilities, weighted average cost of capital, as well as other assumptions. Changes in these estimates, or changes in actual performance compared with these estimates, may affect the fair value of long-lived assets, which could result in an impairment charge.

## General Risks Related to the Real Estate Industry

Our performance and value are subject to economic conditions affecting the real estate market, temperature-controlled warehouses in particular, as well as the broader economy.

Our performance and value depend on the amount of revenues earned, as well as the expenses incurred, in connection with operating our warehouses. If our temperature-controlled warehouses do not generate revenues and operating cash flows sufficient to meet our operating expenses, including debt service and capital expenditures, we could be materially and adversely affected. In addition, there are significant expenditures associated with our real estate (such as real estate taxes, maintenance costs and debt service payments) that generally do not decline when circumstances reduce the revenues from our warehouses. Accordingly, our expenditures may stay constant, or increase, even if our revenues decline. The real estate market is affected by many factors that are beyond our control, and revenues from, and the value of, our properties may be materially and adversely affected by:

- changes in the national, international or local economic climate;
- availability, cost and terms of financing;
- technological changes, such as expansion of e-commerce, reconfiguration of supply chains, automation, robotics or other technologies;
- the attractiveness of our properties to potential customers;
- inability to collect storage charges, rent and other fees from customers;
- the ongoing need for, and significant expense of, capital improvements and addressing obsolescence in a timely manner, particularly in older structures;
- changes in supply of, or demand for, similar or competing properties in an area;
- customer retention and turnover;
- excess supply in the market area;
- financial difficulties, defaults or bankruptcies by our customers;
- changes in operating costs and expenses and a general decrease in real estate property rental rates;
- changes in or increased costs of compliance with governmental rules, regulations and fiscal policies, including changes in tax, real estate, environmental and zoning laws, and our potential liability thereunder;
- our ability to provide adequate maintenance and insurance;
- changes in the cost or availability of insurance, including coverage for mold or asbestos;
- unanticipated changes in costs associated with known adverse environmental conditions, newly discovered environmental conditions and retained liabilities for such conditions;
- changes in interest rates or other changes in monetary policy; and
- disruptions in the global supply-chain caused by political, regulatory or other factors such as terrorism, political instability and public health crises.

In addition, periods of economic slowdown or recession, rising interest rates or declining demand for real estate, or the public perception that any of these events may occur, could result in a general decrease in rates or an increased occurrence of defaults under existing contracts, which could materially and adversely affect us.

## We could incur significant costs under environmental laws relating to the presence and management of asbestos, ammonia and other chemicals and underground storage tanks.

Environmental laws in the United States require that owners or operators of buildings containing asbestos properly manage asbestos, adequately inform or train those who may come into contact with asbestos and undertake special precautions, including removal or other abatement, in the event that asbestos is damaged, is decayed, poses a health risk or is disturbed during building renovation or demolition. These laws impose fines and penalties on building owners or operators who fail to comply with these requirements and may allow third parties to seek recovery from owners or operators for personal injury associated with exposure to asbestos and other toxic or hazardous substances. Some of our properties may contain asbestos or asbestos-containing building materials.

Most of our warehouses utilize ammonia as a refrigerant. Ammonia is classified as a hazardous chemical regulated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, or the EPA. Releases of ammonia occur at our warehouses from time to time, and any number of unplanned events, including severe storms, fires, earthquakes, vandalism, equipment failure, operational errors, accidents, deliberate acts of associates or third parties, and terrorist acts could result in a significant release of ammonia that could result in injuries, loss of life, property damage and a significant interruption at affected facilities. For example, in 2019, we identified and reported ammonia releases across refrigeration systems in three of our facilities. These releases resulted in no significant property damage or injury. In 2020, we identified, and reported, ammonia releases across refrigeration systems in

three of our facilities. These releases resulted in no significant property damage or injury. Although our warehouses have risk management programs required by the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, as amended, or OSHA, the EPA and other regulatory agencies in place, we could incur significant liability in the event of an unanticipated release of ammonia from one of our refrigeration systems. Releases could occur at locations or at times when trained personnel may not be available to respond quickly, increasing the risk of injury, loss of life or property damage. Some of our warehouses are not staffed 24 hours a day and, as a result, we may not respond to intentional or accidental events during closed hours as quickly as we could during open hours, which could exacerbate any injuries, loss of life or property damage. We also could incur liability in the event we fail to report such ammonia releases in a timely fashion.

Environmental laws and regulations subject us and our customers to liability in connection with the storage, handling and use of ammonia and other hazardous substances utilized in our operations. Our warehouses also may have under-floor heating systems, some of which utilize ethylene glycol, petroleum compounds, or other hazardous substances; releases from these systems could potentially contaminate soil and groundwater.

In addition, some of our properties have been operated for decades and have known or potential environmental impacts. Other than in connection with financings, we have not historically performed regular environmental assessments on our properties, and we may not do so in the future. Many of our properties contain, or may in the past have contained, features that pose environmental risks including underground tanks for the storage of petroleum products and other hazardous substances as well as floor drains and wastewater collection and discharge systems, hazardous materials storage areas and septic systems. All of these features create a potential for the release of petroleum products or other hazardous substances. Some of our properties are adjacent to or near properties that have known environmental impacts or have in the past stored or handled petroleum products or other hazardous substances that could have resulted in environmental impacts to soils or groundwater that could affect our properties. In addition, former owners, our customers, or third parties outside our control (such as independent transporters) have engaged, or may in the future engage, in activities that have released or may release petroleum products or other hazardous substances on our properties. Any of these activities or circumstances could materially and adversely affect us.

## We could incur significant costs related to environmental conditions and liabilities.

Our operations are subject to a wide range of environmental laws and regulations in each of the locations in which we operate, and compliance with these requirements involves significant capital and operating costs. Failure to comply with these environmental requirements can result in civil or criminal fines or sanctions, claims for environmental damages, remediation obligations, the revocation of environmental permits or restrictions on our operations. Future changes in environmental laws, or in the interpretation of those laws, including potential future climate change regulations, such as those affecting electric power providers or regulations related to the control of greenhouse gas emissions, or stricter requirements affecting our operations could result in increased capital and operating costs, which could materially and adversely affect us.

Under various U.S. federal, state and local environmental laws, including the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, commonly known as CERCLA, or the Superfund law, a current or previous owner or operator of real property may be liable for the entire cost of investigating, removing or remediating hazardous or toxic substances on such property. Such laws often impose liability whether or not the owner or operator knew of, or was responsible for, the contamination. Even if more than one person may have been responsible for the contamination, each person covered by the environmental laws may be held responsible for the entire cleanup cost. We may also be subject to environmental liabilities under the regulatory regimes in place in the other countries in which we operate.

The presence of hazardous or toxic substances on our properties, or the failure to properly remediate contaminated properties, could give rise to liens in favor of the government for failure to address the

contamination, or otherwise adversely affect our ability to sell or lease properties or borrow using our properties as collateral. Environmental laws also may impose restrictions on the manner in which property may be used or our businesses may be operated.

Under environmental laws, a property owner or operator is subject to compliance obligations, potential government sanctions for violations or natural resource damages, claims from private parties for cleanup contribution or other environmental damages and investigation and remediation costs. In connection with the acquisition, ownership or operation of our properties, we may be exposed to such costs. The cost of resolving environmental, property damage or personal injury claims, of compliance with environmental regulatory requirements, of paying fines, or meeting new or stricter environmental requirements or of remediating contaminated properties could materially and adversely affect us.

Nearly all of our properties have been the subject of environmental assessments conducted by environmental consultants at some point in the past. Most of these assessments have not included soil sampling or subsurface investigations. Some of our older properties have not had asbestos surveys. In many instances, we have not conducted further investigations of environmental conditions disclosed in these environmental assessments nor can we be assured that these environmental assessments have identified all potential environmental liabilities associated with our properties. Material environmental conditions, liabilities or compliance concerns may have arisen or may arise after the date of the environmental assessments on our properties. Moreover, there can be no assurance that (i) future laws, ordinances or regulations will not impose new material environmental obligations or costs, including the potential effects of climate change or new climate change regulations, (ii) we will not incur material liabilities in connection with both known and undiscovered environmental conditions arising out of past activities on our properties or (iii) our properties will not be materially and adversely affected by the operations of customers, by environmental impacts or operations on neighboring properties (such as releases from underground storage tanks), or by the actions of parties unrelated to us.

In the future, our customers may demand lower indirect emissions associated with the storage and transportation of frozen and perishable foods, which could make us or our facilities less competitive. Further, such demand could require us to implement various processes to reduce emissions from our operations in order to remain competitive, which could materially and adversely affect us.

## Our insurance coverage may be insufficient to cover potential environmental liabilities.

We maintain a portfolio environmental insurance policy that provides coverage for sudden and accidental environmental liabilities, subject to the policy's coverage conditions, deductibles and limits, for most of our properties. There is no assurance that future environmental claims will be covered under these policies or that, if covered, the loss will not exceed policy limits. From time to time, we may acquire properties, or interests in properties, with known adverse environmental conditions where we believe that the environmental liabilities associated with these conditions are quantifiable and that the acquisition will yield an attractive risk-adjusted return. In such an instance, we factor the estimated costs of environmental investigation, cleanup and monitoring into the net cost. Further, in connection with property dispositions, we may agree to remain responsible for, and to bear the cost of, remediating or monitoring certain environmental conditions on the properties. A failure to accurately estimate these costs, or uninsured environmental liabilities, could materially and adversely affect us.

Our properties may contain or develop harmful molds or have other air quality issues, which could lead to financial liability for adverse health effects to our associates or third parties, and costs of remediating the problem.

Our properties may contain or develop harmful molds or suffer from other air quality issues, which could lead to liability for adverse health effects and costs of remediating the problem. When excessive moisture

accumulates in buildings or on building materials, mold growth may occur, particularly if the moisture problem remains undiscovered or is not addressed over a period of time. Some molds produce airborne toxins or irritants. Indoor air quality issues can also stem from inadequate ventilation, poor equipment maintenance, chemical contamination from indoor or outdoor sources and other biological contaminants, such as pollen, viruses and bacteria. Indoor exposure to airborne toxins or irritants present above certain levels can cause a variety of adverse health effects and symptoms, including allergic or other reactions. As a result, the presence of significant mold or other airborne contaminants at any of our properties could require us to undertake a costly remediation program to contain or remove the mold or other airborne contaminants from the affected property, to reduce indoor moisture levels, or to upgrade ventilation systems to improve indoor air quality. In addition, the presence of significant mold or other airborne contaminants could expose us to liability from our associates, our customers, associates of our customers and others if property damage or health concerns arise.

# Illiquidity of real estate investments, particularly our specialized temperature-controlled warehouses, could significantly impede our ability to respond to adverse changes in the performance of our business and properties.

Real estate investments are relatively illiquid, and given that our properties are highly specialized temperature-controlled warehouses, our properties may be more illiquid than other real estate investments. This illiquidity is driven by a number of factors, including the specialized and often customer-specific design of our warehouses, the relatively small number of potential purchasers of temperature-controlled warehouses, the difficulty and expense of repurposing our warehouses and the location of many of our warehouses in secondary or tertiary markets. As a result, we may be unable to complete an exit strategy or quickly sell properties in our portfolio in response to adverse changes in the performance of our properties or in our business generally. We cannot predict whether we will be able to sell any property for the price or on the terms set by us or whether any price or other terms offered by a prospective buyer would be acceptable to us. We also cannot predict the length of time it would take to complete the sale of any such property. Such sales might also require us to expend funds to mitigate or correct defects to the property or make changes or improvements to the property prior to its sale. The ability to sell assets in our portfolio may also be restricted by certain covenants in our mortgage loan agreement and other credit agreements. Code requirements relating to our status as a REIT may also limit our ability to vary our portfolio promptly in response to changes in economic or other conditions.

# We could experience uninsured or under-insured losses relating to our warehouses and other assets, including our real property.

We carry insurance coverage on all of our properties in an amount that we believe adequately covers any potential casualty losses. However, there are certain losses, including losses from floods, earthquakes, acts of war or riots, that we are not generally insured against or that we are not generally fully insured against because it is not deemed economically feasible or prudent to do so. In addition, changes in the cost or availability of insurance could expose us to uninsured casualty losses. In the event that any of our properties incurs a casualty loss that is not covered by insurance (in part or at all), the value of our assets will be reduced by the amount of any such uninsured loss, and we could experience a significant loss of capital invested and potential revenues in these properties. Any such losses could materially and adversely affect us. In addition, we may have no source of funding to repair or reconstruct the damaged property, and we cannot assure you that any such sources of funding will be available to us for such purposes in the future on favorable terms or at all.

In the event of a fire, flood or other occurrence involving the loss of or damage to stored products held by us but belonging to others, we may be liable for such loss or damage. Although we have an insurance program in effect, there can be no assurance that such potential liability will not exceed the applicable coverage limits under our insurance policies. A number of our properties are located in areas that are known to be subject to earthquake activity, such as California, Washington, Oregon and New Zealand, or in flood zones, such as Appleton, Wisconsin and Fort Smith, Arkansas, in each case exposing them to increased risk of casualty.

If we or one or more of our customers experiences a loss for which we are liable and that loss is uninsured or exceeds policy limits, we could lose the capital invested in the damaged properties as well as the anticipated future cash flows from those properties. In addition, if the damaged properties are subject to recourse indebtedness, we would continue to be liable for the indebtedness, even if these properties were irreparably damaged.

We are self-insured for workers' compensation and health insurance under a large deductible program, meaning that we have accrued liabilities in amounts that we consider appropriate to cover losses in these areas. In addition, we maintain excess loss coverage to insure against losses in excess of the reserves that we have established for these claims in amounts that we consider appropriate. However, in the event that our loss experience exceeds our reserves and the limits of our excess loss policies, we could be materially and adversely affected.

## We may not be reimbursed for increases in operating expenses and other real estate costs.

We may be limited in our ability to obtain reimbursement from customers under existing warehouse contracts for any increases in operating expenses such as labor, electricity charges, maintenance costs, taxes, including real estate and income taxes, or other real estate-related costs. Unless we are able to offset any unexpected costs with sufficient revenues through new warehouse contracts or new customers, increases in these costs would lower our operating margins and could materially and adversely affect us.

## Costs of complying with governmental laws and regulations could adversely affect us and our customers.

Our business is highly regulated at the federal, state and local level. The food industry in all jurisdictions in which we operate is subject to numerous government standards and regulations. While we believe that we are currently in compliance with all applicable government standards and regulations, there can be no assurance that all of our warehouses or our customers' operations are currently in compliance with, or will be able to comply in the future with, all applicable standards and regulations or that the costs of compliance will not increase in the future.

All real property and the operations conducted on real property are subject to governmental laws and regulations relating to environmental protection and human health and safety. In addition, our warehouses are subject to regulation and inspection by the United States Food and Drug Administration and the United States Department of Agriculture and our domestic trucking operations are subject to regulation by the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration. Our ability to operate and to satisfy our contractual obligations may be affected by permitting and compliance obligations arising under such laws and regulations. Some of these laws and regulations could increase our operating costs, result in fines or impose joint and several liability on customers, owners or operators for the costs to investigate or remediate contamination, regardless of fault or whether the acts causing the contamination were legal.

Some of these laws and regulations have been amended so as to require compliance with new or more stringent standards in the future. Compliance with new or more stringent laws or regulations or stricter interpretation of existing laws may require that we or our customers incur material expenditures. In addition, there are various governmental, environmental, fire, health, safety and similar regulations with which we and our customers may be required to comply and which may subject us and our customers to liability in the form of fines or damages for noncompliance. Any material expenditures, fines or damages imposed on our customers or us could directly or indirectly have a material adverse effect on us. In addition, changes in these governmental laws and regulations, or their interpretation by agencies and courts, could occur.

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, or the ADA, generally requires that public buildings, including portions of our warehouses, be made accessible to disabled persons. Noncompliance could result in the imposition of fines by the federal government or the award of damages to private litigants. If, under the ADA, we are required to make substantial alterations and capital expenditures in one or more of our warehouses, including the removal of access barriers, it could materially and adversely affect us.

Our properties are subject to regulation under OSHA, which requires employers to protect associates against many workplace hazards, such as exposure to harmful levels of toxic chemicals, excessive noise levels, mechanical dangers, heat or cold stress and unsanitary conditions. The cost of complying with OSHA and similar laws enacted by other jurisdictions in which we operate is substantial and any failure to comply with these regulations could expose us to penalties and potentially to liabilities to associates who may be injured at our warehouses, any of which could be material. Furthermore, any fines or violations that we face under OSHA could expose us to reputational risk

We face ongoing litigation risks which could result in material liabilities and harm to our business regardless of whether we prevail in any particular matter.

We are a large company operating in multiple U.S. and international jurisdictions, with thousands of associates and business counterparts. As such, there is an ongoing risk that we may become involved in legal disputes or litigation with these parties or others. The costs and liabilities with respect to such legal disputes may be material and may exceed our amounts accrued, if any, for such liabilities and costs. In addition, our defense of legal disputes or resulting litigation could result in the diversion of our management's time and attention from the operation of our business, each of which could impede our ability to achieve our business objectives. Some or all of the amounts we may be required to pay to defend or to satisfy a judgment or settlement of any or all of our disputes and litigation may not be covered by insurance.

We are currently invested in three joint ventures and may invest in joint ventures in the future and face risks stemming from our partial ownership interests in such properties which could materially and adversely affect the value of any such joint venture investments.

Both our current investments and future joint-venture investments involve risks not present in investments in which a third party is not involved, including the possibility that

- we and a co-venturer or partner may reach an impasse on a major decision that requires the approval of both parties;
- we may not have exclusive control over the development, financing, management and other aspects of the property or joint venture, which may prevent us from taking actions that are in our best interest but opposed by a co-venturer or partner;
- a co-venturer or partner may at any time have economic or business interests or goals that are or may become inconsistent with ours;
- a co-venturer or partner may encounter liquidity or insolvency issues or may become bankrupt, which may mean that we and any other remaining co-venturers or partners generally would remain liable for the joint venture's liabilities;
- a co-venturer or partner may take action contrary to our instructions, requests, policies or investment objectives, including our current policy with respect to maintaining our qualification as a REIT under the Code;
- a co-venturer or partner may take actions that subject us to liabilities in excess of, or other than, those contemplated;
- in certain circumstances, we may be liable for actions of our co-venturer or partner, and the activities of a co-venturer or partner could adversely affect our ability to qualify as a REIT, even if we do not control the joint venture;
- our joint venture agreements may restrict the transfer of a co-venturer's or partner's interest or otherwise restrict our ability to sell the interest when we desire or on advantageous terms;
- our joint venture agreements may contain buy-sell provisions pursuant to which one co-venturer or partner may initiate procedures requiring the other co-venturer or partner to choose between buying the other co-venturer's or partner's interest or selling its interest to that co-venturer or partner;
- if a joint venture agreement is terminated or dissolved, we may not continue to own or operate the interests or investments underlying the joint venture relationship or may need to purchase such interests or investments at a premium to the market price to continue ownership; or
- disputes between us and a co-venturer or partner may result in litigation or arbitration that could increase our expenses and prevent our management from focusing their time and attention on our business.

Any of the above could materially and adversely affect the value of our current joint venture investment or any future joint venture investments and potentially have a material adverse effect on us.

## **Risks Related to Our Debt Financings**

### We have a substantial amount of indebtedness that may limit our financial and operating activities.

As of December 31, 2020, we had approximately \$521.3 million of variable-rate indebtedness outstanding under our 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility. Additionally, we had approximately \$1.9 billion of fixed-rate indebtedness outstanding under our Debt Private Placement offerings and \$276.7 million under our 2013 CMBS Notes. Additional information regarding our indebtedness may be found in our consolidated financial statements and in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" included in Item 7 in this Annual Report. Our organizational documents contain no limitations regarding the maximum level of indebtedness that we may incur or keep outstanding.

Payments of principal and interest on indebtedness may leave us with insufficient cash resources to operate our properties or to pay distributions to our shareholders at expected levels. Our substantial outstanding indebtedness could have other material and adverse consequences, including, without limitation, the following:

- our cash flows may be insufficient to meet our required principal and interest payments;
- we may use a substantial portion of our cash flows to make principal and interest payments and we may be unable to obtain additional financing as needed or on favorable terms, which could, among other things, have a material adverse effect on our ability to invest in acquisition opportunities, fund capital improvements or meet operational needs;
- 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;
- we may be forced to dispose of one or more of our properties, possibly on disadvantageous terms or in violation of certain covenants to which we may be subject;
- we may default on our indebtedness by failing to make required payments or violating covenants, which would entitle holders of such indebtedness and other indebtedness with a cross-default provision to accelerate the maturity of their indebtedness and, if such indebtedness is secured, to foreclose on our properties that secure their loans;
- we may be unable to effectively hedge floating rate debt with respect to our 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facilities or any successor facilities thereto;
- we are required to maintain certain debt and coverage and other financial ratios at specified levels, thereby reducing our operating and financial flexibility;
- our vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions may be increased; and
- we may be subject to greater exposure to increases in interest rates for our variable-rate debt and to higher interest expense upon refinancing of existing debt or the issuance of future fixed rate debt.

If any one of these events were to occur, we could be materially and adversely affected. In addition, any foreclosure on our properties could create taxable income without accompanying cash proceeds, which could materially and adversely affect our ability to meet the REIT distribution requirements imposed by the Code.

## We are dependent on external sources of capital, the continuing availability of which is uncertain.

In order to qualify as a REIT, we are required each year to distribute to our shareholders at least 90% of our REIT taxable income (determined without regard to the dividends paid deduction and by excluding capital gains). In addition, we will be subject to income tax at regular corporate rates to the extent that we distribute less than 100% of our REIT taxable income, including any net capital gains. Because of these distribution requirements, we may not be able to fund all of our future capital needs, including capital for acquisitions, development activities and recurring and non-recurring capital improvements, from operating cash flows. Consequently, we intend to rely on third-party sources of capital to fund a substantial amount of our future capital needs. We may not be able to obtain additional financing on favorable terms or at all when needed. Any additional debt we incur will increase our leverage, expose us to the risk of default and impose operating and financial restrictions on us. In addition, any equity financing could be materially dilutive to the equity interests held by our shareholders. Our access to third-party sources of capital depends, in part, on general market conditions, the market's perception of our growth potential, our leverage, our current and anticipated results of operations, liquidity, financial condition and cash distributions to shareholders and the market price of our common shares. If we cannot obtain sufficient capital on favorable terms when needed, we may not be able to execute our business and growth strategies, satisfy our debt service obligations, make the cash distributions to our shareholders necessary for us to qualify as a REIT (which would expose us to significant penalties and corporate-level taxation), or fund our other business needs, which could have a material adverse effect on us.

# Adverse changes in our credit ratings could negatively impact our financing activity.

Our credit ratings are based on our operating performance, liquidity and leverage ratios, overall financial condition and other factors utilized by rating agencies in their analysis. Our credit ratings can affect the amount of

capital that we can access, as well as the terms and pricing of any future debt. We can provide no assurance that we will be able to maintain our current credit ratings, and a downgrade of our credit ratings would likely cause us to incur higher borrowing costs and make additional financing more difficult to obtain. In addition, a downgrade could trigger higher costs under our existing credit facilities and may have other negative consequences. Adverse changes in our credit ratings could negatively impact our business, particularly our refinancing and other capital market activities, our future growth, development and acquisition activity.

At December 31, 2020, our credit ratings were "BBB" with an Under Review with Positive Implications outlook from DBRS Morningstar, Inc., "BBB" with a Stable outlook from Fitch Ratings, Inc. and "Baa3" with a Stable outlook from Moody's. A securities rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the rating organization.

## Increases in interest rates could increase the amount of our debt payments.

As of December 31, 2020, \$521.3 million of our outstanding consolidated indebtedness is variable-rate debt, and we may continue to incur variable-rate debt in the future. Increases in interest rates on such debt would raise our interest costs, reduce our cash flows and reduce our ability to make distributions to our shareholders. Increases in interest rates would also increase our interest expense on future fixed rate borrowings and have the same collateral effects. In addition, if we need to repay existing debt during periods of rising interest rates, we could be required to liquidate one or more of our investments in properties at times which may not permit realization of the maximum return on such investments.

## Elimination of LIBOR may impact our financial statements

In July 2017, the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") that regulates LIBOR announced it intends to stop compelling banks to submit rates for the calculation of LIBOR after 2021. As a result, the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York organized the Alternative Reference Rates Committee ("ARRC") which identified the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") as its preferred alternative to USD-LIBOR in derivatives and other financial contracts. On November 30, 2020, ICE Benchmark Administration, the administrator of LIBOR, with the support of the United States Federal Reserve and the United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority, announced plans to consult on ceasing publication of USD LIBOR on December 31, 2021 for only the one week and two month USD LIBOR tenors, and on June 30, 2023 for all other USD Libor tenors. While this announcement extends the transition period to June 2023, the United States Federal Reserve concurrently issued a statement advising banks to stop new USD LIBOR issuances by the end of 2021. The Company is not able to predict when LIBOR will cease to be available or when there will be sufficient liquidity in the SOFR markets. Any changes adopted by FCA or other governing bodies in the method used for determining LIBOR may result in a sudden or prolonged increase or decrease in reported LIBOR. If that were to occur, our interest payments could change. In addition, uncertainty about the extent and manner of future changes may result in interest rates and/or payments that are higher or lower than if LIBOR were to remain available in its current form.

The Company has contracts that are indexed to LIBOR and is monitoring and evaluating the related risks, which include interest on loans, amounts paid on securities, and amounts received and paid on derivative instruments. These risks arise in connection with transitioning contracts to a new alternative rate, including any resulting value transfer that may occur. The value of loans, securities, or derivative instruments tied to LIBOR could also be impacted if LIBOR is limited or discontinued. For some instruments, the method of transitioning to an alternative rate may be challenging, as they may require negotiation with the respective counterparty.

If LIBOR is discontinued, the impact of such change on our contracts that are not transitioned to an alternative rate is uncertain and is likely to vary by contract. If LIBOR is discontinued or if the methods of

calculating LIBOR change from their current form, interest rates on our current or future indebtedness may be adversely affected.

While we expect LIBOR to be available in substantially its current form until the end of 2021 or June 2023, as applicable, it is possible that LIBOR will become unavailable prior to that point. This could result, for example, if sufficient banks decline to make submissions to the LIBOR administrator. In that case, the risks associated with the transition to an alternative reference rate will be accelerated and magnified.

Our existing indebtedness contains, and any future indebtedness is likely to contain, covenants that restrict our ability to engage in certain activities.

Our outstanding indebtedness requires, and our future indebtedness is likely to require, us to comply with a number of financial covenants and operational covenants. The financial covenants under our 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility include a maximum leverage ratio, a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio, a maximum unsecured debt service coverage ratio, and a maximum unsecured indebtedness to unencumbered assets ratio. In addition, the financial covenants under the Series A, Series B, Series C, Series D and Series E Senior Unsecured Notes include, without limitation, a maximum total leverage ratio, a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio, a maximum total secured indebtedness ratio, a minimum unsecured debt service coverage ratio and a maximum unsecured indebtedness to qualified assets ratio. These covenants may limit our ability to engage in certain transactions that may be in our best interests. In order to be able to make distributions to our shareholders (other than minimum distributions required to maintain our status as a REIT), there may not be an event of default under such indebtedness. Our failure to meet the covenants could result in an event of default under the applicable indebtedness, which could result in the acceleration of the applicable indebtedness and other indebtedness with a cross-default provision as well as foreclosure, in the case of secured indebtedness, upon any of our assets that secure such indebtedness. If we are unable to refinance our indebtedness at maturity or meet our payment obligations, we would be materially and adversely affected.

As of December 31, 2020, a total of 15 of our warehouses were financed under mortgage loans grouped into a single pool. Certain covenants in the mortgage loan agreement place limits on our use of the cash flows associated with the pool, and place other restrictions on our use of the assets included within the pool. In particular, if our subsidiaries that are borrowers under the mortgage loan agreement fail to maintain certain cash flow minimums or a debt service coverage ratio, the cash generated by those subsidiaries will be restricted and unavailable for us to use, which we refer to as a "cash trap event." If the pool under our mortgage loan agreement were to fail to maintain the applicable cash flow minimum or debt service coverage ratio, our ability to make capital expenditures and distributions to our shareholders could be limited. In addition, as a holder of equity interests in the borrowers under the pool, our claim to the assets contained in the pool is subordinate to the claims of the holders of the indebtedness under the mortgage loan agreement.

Secured indebtedness exposes us to the possibility of foreclosure, which could result in the loss of our investment in certain of our subsidiaries or in a property or group of properties or other assets subject to indebtedness.

We have granted certain of our lenders security interests in approximately 8% of our assets, including equity interests in certain of our subsidiaries and in certain of our real property. Incurring secured indebtedness, including mortgage indebtedness, increases our risk of asset and property losses because defaults on indebtedness secured by our assets, including equity interests in certain of our subsidiaries and in certain of our real property, may result in foreclosure actions initiated by lenders and ultimately our loss of the property or other assets securing any loans for which we are in default. Any foreclosure on a mortgaged property or group of properties could have a material adverse effect on the overall value of our portfolio of properties and more generally on us. For tax purposes, a foreclosure of any of our properties would be treated as a sale of the property for a purchase price equal to the outstanding balance of the indebtedness secured by the mortgage. If the outstanding balance of

the indebtedness secured by the mortgage exceeds our tax basis in the property, we would recognize taxable income on foreclosure, but would not receive any cash proceeds, which could materially and adversely affect us.

Foreign exchange rates and other hedging activity exposes us to risks, including the risks that a counterparty will not perform and that the hedge will not yield the economic benefits we anticipate.

As of December 31, 2020, we were a party to cross currency swaps on our intercompany loans. Periodically we enter into foreign currency forward contracts to manage its exposure to fluctuations in exchange rates. In addition, we have entered into certain forward contracts and other hedging arrangements in order to fix power costs for anticipated electricity requirements. These hedging transactions expose us to certain risks, such as the risk that counterparties may fail to honor their obligations under these arrangements, and that these arrangements may not be effective in reducing our exposure to foreign exchange rate, interest rate, and power cost changes. Moreover, there can be no assurance that our hedging arrangements will qualify for hedge accounting or that our hedging activities will have the desired beneficial impact on our results of operations or cash flows. Should we desire to terminate a hedging agreement, there could be significant costs and cash requirements involved to fulfill our obligation under the hedging agreement. Failure to hedge effectively against foreign exchange rates, interest rates, and power cost changes could have a material adverse effect on us.

While we have no current mortgage agreements requiring hedging agreements, when a hedging agreement is required under the terms of a mortgage loan, it is often a condition that the hedge counterparty maintains a specified credit rating. With the current volatility in the financial markets, there is an increased risk that hedge counterparties could have their credit ratings downgraded to a level that would not be acceptable under the loan provisions. If we were unable to renegotiate the credit rating condition with the lender or find an alternative counterparty with an acceptable credit rating, we could be in default under the loan and the lender could seize that property through foreclosure, which could have a material adverse effect on us.

#### Risks Related to our Organization and Structure

# Provisions of Maryland law may limit the ability of a third party to acquire control of our company.

Under the Maryland General Corporation Law, or the MGCL, as applicable to Maryland real estate investment trusts, certain "business combinations" (including a merger, consolidation, share exchange or, in certain circumstances specified under the statute, an asset transfer or issuance or reclassification of equity securities) between a Maryland real estate investment trust and any person who beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, 10% or more of the voting power of the trust's then outstanding voting shares or an affiliate or associate of the trust who, at any time within the two-year period before the date in question, was the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of 10% or more of the voting power of the trust's then outstanding shares, which we refer to as an "interested shareholder," or an affiliate thereof, are prohibited for five years after the most recent date on which the interested shareholder becomes an interested shareholder. Thereafter, any such business combination must be approved by two super-majority shareholder votes unless, among other conditions, the trust's common shareholders receive a minimum price (as defined in the MGCL) for their shares and the consideration is received in cash or in the same form as previously paid by the interested shareholder for its voting shares. Pursuant to the statute, our board of trustees, by resolution, elected to opt out of the business combination provisions of the MGCL. This resolution may not be modified or repealed by our board of trustees without the approval of our shareholders by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on the matter. Accordingly, the five-year prohibition and the super-majority vote requirements described above do not apply to a business combination between us and any other person. As a result, any person may be able to enter into business combinations with us, which may not be in your best interest as a shareholder, within five years of becoming an interested shareholder and without compliance by us with the super-majority vote requirements and other provisions of the MGCL.

The "control share" provisions of the MGCL provide that "control shares" of a Maryland real estate investment trust (defined as shares which, when aggregated with other shares controlled by the shareholder (except solely by virtue of a revocable proxy), entitle the shareholder to exercise one of three increasing ranges of voting power in electing trustees) acquired in a "control share acquisition" (defined as the direct or indirect acquisition of ownership or control of "control shares") have no voting rights except to the extent approved by the trust's shareholders by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter, excluding votes entitled to be cast by the acquiror of control shares, the trust's officers and the trust's associates who are also the trust's trustees. Our amended and restated bylaws, or our bylaws, contain a provision exempting from the control share acquisition provisions of the MGCL any and all acquisitions by any person of our shares. This provision may not be amended by our board of trustees without the affirmative vote at a duly called meeting of shareholders of at least a majority of the votes cast on the matter by shareholders entitled to vote generally in the election of trustees.

Subtitle 8 of Title 3 of the MGCL, or Subtitle 8, would permit our board of trustees, without shareholder approval, to implement certain takeover defenses (some of which, such as a classified board, we do not have), if we have a class of equity securities registered under the Exchange Act and at least three independent trustees. We have elected not to be subject to Subtitle 8 unless approved by the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes cast on the matter by shareholders entitled to vote generally in the election of trustees.

Any of the MGCL provisions, if then applicable to us, may have the effect of inhibiting a third party from making an acquisition proposal for us or of delaying, deferring or preventing a transaction or change in control which might involve a premium price for our common shares or otherwise be in the best interests of our shareholders.

Our board of trustees can take many actions even if you and other shareholders disagree with such actions or if they are otherwise not in your best interest as a shareholder.

Our board of trustees has overall authority to oversee our operations and determine our major policies. This authority includes significant flexibility to take certain actions without shareholder approval. For example, our board of trustees can do the following without shareholder approval:

- issue additional shares, which could dilute your ownership;
- amend our declaration of trust to increase or decrease the aggregate number of shares or the number of shares of any class or series that we have authority to issue;
- classify or reclassify any unissued shares and set the preferences, rights and other terms of such classified or reclassified shares, which preferences, rights and terms could delay, defer or prevent a transaction or change in control which might involve a premium price for our common shares or otherwise be in your best interest as a shareholder;
- employ and compensate affiliates;
- change major policies, including policies relating to investments, financing, growth and capitalization;
- enter into new lines of business or new markets; and
- determine that it is no longer in our best interests to attempt to continue to qualify as a REIT.

Any of these actions without shareholder approval could increase our operating expenses, impact our ability to make distributions to our shareholders, reduce the market value of our real estate assets, negatively impact our share price, or otherwise not be in your best interest as a shareholder.

Our declaration of trust contains provisions that make removal of our trustees difficult, which could make it difficult for our shareholders to effect changes to our management.

Our declaration of trust provides that, subject to the rights of holders of one or more classes or series of preferred shares to elect or remove one or more trustees, a trustee may be removed only for "cause" (as defined in our declaration of trust), and then only by the affirmative vote of shareholders entitled to cast two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast generally in the election of trustees. The foregoing provision of our declaration of trust, when coupled with the power of our board of trustees to fill vacant trusteeships, will preclude shareholders from removing incumbent trustees except for cause and by a substantial affirmative vote and filling the vacancies created by such removal with their own nominees. These requirements make it more difficult to change our management by removing and replacing trustees and may prevent a change in control that is in the best interests of our shareholders.

## The REIT ownership limit rules and the related restrictions on ownership and transfer contained in our declaration of trust have an antitakeover effect.

In order for us to maintain our qualification as a REIT under the Code, not more than 50% in value of our outstanding shares of beneficial interest may be owned, directly or indirectly, by five or fewer individuals (as defined in the Code to include certain entities) at any time during the last half of each taxable year (other than the first taxable year for which the election to be treated as a REIT was made). To ensure that we will not fail to qualify as a REIT under this and other tests under the Code, our declaration of trust, subject to certain exceptions, authorizes our board of trustees to take such actions as are necessary and desirable to preserve our qualification as a REIT and does not permit individuals (including certain entities treated as individuals), other than excepted holders approved in accordance with our declaration of trust, to own, directly or indirectly, more than 9.8% (in value) of our outstanding shares. In addition, our declaration of trust prohibits: (a) any person from beneficially or constructively owning our shares of beneficial interest that would result in our company being "closely held" under Section 856(h) of the Code or otherwise cause us to fail to qualify as a REIT; (b) any person from transferring our shares of beneficial interest of our company if such transfer would result in our shares of beneficial interest being beneficially owned by fewer than 100 persons; and (c) any person from beneficially owning our shares of beneficial interest to the extent such ownership would result in our failing to qualify as a "domestically controlled qualified investment entity" within the meaning of Section 897(h) of the Code (after taking into account for such purpose the statutory presumptions set forth in Section 897(h)(4)(E) of the Code). Our board of trustees is required to exempt a person (prospectively or retrospectively) from the percentage ownership limit described above (but not the other restrictions) if the person seeking a waiver demonstrates that the waiver would not jeopardize our status as a REIT or violate the other conditions described above.

These ownership limitations are intended to provide added assurance of compliance with the tax law requirements and to minimize administrative burdens. Although our declaration of trust requires our board of trustees to grant a waiver of the percentage ownership limit described above if the person seeking a waiver demonstrates that such ownership would not jeopardize our status as a REIT or violate the other conditions described above, these limitations might still delay, defer or prevent a transaction or change in control which might involve a premium price for our common shares or otherwise not be in your best interest as a shareholder or result in the transfer of shares acquired in excess of the ownership limits to a trust for the benefit of a charitable beneficiary and, as a result, the forfeiture by the acquirer of the benefits of owning the additional shares.

# Our rights and the rights of our shareholders to take action against our trustees and officers are limited.

Our declaration of trust eliminates our trustees' and officers' liability to us and our shareholders for money damages except for liability resulting from actual receipt of an improper benefit or profit in money, property or services or active and deliberate dishonesty established by a final judgment and which is material to the cause of action. Our declaration of trust and our bylaws require us to indemnify our trustees and officers to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law for liability actually incurred in connection with any proceeding to which they may be made, or threatened to be made, a party, except to the extent that the act or omission of the trustee or officer was material to the matter giving rise to the proceeding and was either committed in bad faith or

the result of active and deliberate dishonesty, the trustee or officer actually received an improper personal benefit in money, property or services, or, in the case of any criminal proceeding, the trustee or officer had reasonable cause to believe that the act or omission was unlawful. As a result, we and our shareholders may have more limited rights against our trustees and officers than might otherwise exist under common law. In addition, we may be obligated to fund the defense costs incurred by our trustees and officers.

We have fiduciary duties as general partner to our Operating Partnership, which may result in conflicts of interests in representing your interests as shareholders of our company.

Conflicts of interest could arise in the future as a result of the relationships between us and our affiliates, and between us and our Operating Partnership or any partner thereof. Our trustees and officers have duties to our company under applicable Maryland law in connection with their management of our company. Additionally, we

have fiduciary duties as the general partner to our Operating Partnership and to its limited partners under Delaware law in connection with the management of our Operating Partnership. Our duties as a general partner to our Operating Partnership and any unaffiliated limited partners may come into conflict with the duties of our trustees and officers to our company and may be resolved in a manner that is not in your best interest as a shareholder.

#### **Risks Related to our Common Shares**

Our cash available for distribution to shareholders may not be sufficient to pay distributions at expected levels, or at all, and we may need to increase our borrowings or otherwise raise capital in order to make such distributions; consequently, we may not be able to make such distributions in full.

Our current annualized distributions to our shareholders are \$0.84 per share. If cash available for distribution generated by our assets is less than our estimate, or if such cash available for distribution decreases in future periods, we may be unable to make distributions to our shareholders at expected levels, or at all, or we may need to increase our borrowings or otherwise raise capital in order to do so, and there can be no assurance that such capital will be available on attractive terms in sufficient amounts, or at all. Any of the foregoing could result in a decrease in the market price of our common shares. Any distributions made to our shareholders by us will be authorized and determined by our board of trustees in its sole discretion out of funds legally available therefore and will be dependent upon a number of factors, including our actual or anticipated financial condition, results of operations, cash flows and capital requirements, debt service requirements, financing covenants, restrictions under applicable law and other factors.

Any future debt, which would rank senior to our common shares upon liquidation, or equity securities, which could dilute our existing shareholders and may be senior to our common shares for the purposes of distributions, may adversely affect the market price of our common shares.

In the future, we may attempt to increase our capital resources by incurring additional debt, including term loans, borrowings under credit facilities, mortgage loans, commercial paper, senior or subordinated notes and secured notes, and making additional offerings of equity and equity-related securities, including preferred and common shares and convertible or exchangeable securities.

Upon our liquidation, holders of our debt securities and preferred shares and lenders with respect to other borrowings would receive a distribution of our available assets prior to the holders of our common shares. Additional offerings of common shares would dilute the holdings of our existing shareholders or may reduce the market price of our common shares or both. Additionally, any preferred shares or convertible or exchangeable securities that we issue in the future may have rights, preferences and privileges more favorable than those of our common shares and may result in dilution to holders of our common shares. Because our decision to incur debt or issue equity or equity-related securities in the future will depend on market conditions and other factors beyond

our control, we cannot predict or estimate the amount, timing, nature or success of our future capital raising. Thus, our shareholders bear the risk that our future capital raising will materially and adversely affect the market price of our common shares and dilute the value of their holdings in us.

### Common shares eligible for future sale may have adverse effects on the market price of our common shares.

The market price of our common shares could decline as a result of sales or resales of a large number of our common shares in the market, or the perception that such sales or resales could occur. These sales or resales, or the possibility that these sales or resales may occur, also might make it more difficult for us to sell our common shares in the future at a desired time and at an attractive price. On August 26, 2019, we entered into a distribution agreement with a syndicate of banks through which we may sell from time to time up to an aggregate of \$500.0 million of our common shares in an at the market equity program (an "ATM Offering").

On April 16, 2020, this ATM Equity Program was terminated and replaced with a new ATM Equity Program, pursuant to which we may sell up to an aggregate sales price of \$500.0 million of our common shares. There were 7,440,532 common shares sold under the ATM Equity Program during 2020. We intend to use any net proceeds from sales of our common shares pursuant to the new ATM Equity Program for working capital, capital expenditures and other general corporate purposes, which may include funding development, expansion and acquisitions opportunities and the repayment of outstanding indebtedness.

As of December 31, 2020, 251,702,603 common shares are issued and outstanding, and no Series A preferred shares, Series B preferred shares or Series C preferred shares are issued and outstanding.

As of December 31, 2020, the 14,773,725 common shares beneficially owned by our trustees, executive officers and other affiliates were "restricted securities" within the meaning of Rule 144 under the Securities Act and cannot be sold in the absence of registration under the Securities Act unless an exemption from registration is available, including the exemptions contained in Rule 144.

In addition, we have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-8 covering common shares issuable pursuant to options, restricted stock units, performance units, operating partnership profits units and other stock-based awards issued under our outstanding equity incentive plans and a registration statement on Form S-8 covering shares issuable under our 2020 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

We cannot predict the effect, if any, of future issuances, sales or resales of our common shares, or the availability of common shares for future issuances, sales or resales, on the market price of our common shares. Issuances, sales or resales of substantial amounts of common shares, or the perception that such issuances, sales or resales could occur, may materially and adversely affect the then prevailing market price for our common shares.

# **REIT and Tax Related Risks**

#### Failure to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes would have a material adverse effect on us.

We have elected to be taxed as a REIT under the Code. Our qualification as a REIT requires us to satisfy numerous requirements, some on an annual and quarterly basis, established under highly technical and complex Code provisions for which there are only limited judicial or administrative interpretations, and which involve the determination of various factual matters and circumstances not entirely within our control. We expect that our current organization and methods of operation will enable us to continue to qualify as a REIT, but we may not so qualify or we may not be able to remain so qualified in the future. In addition, U.S. federal income tax laws governing REITs and other corporations and the administrative interpretations of those laws may be amended at any time, potentially with retroactive effect. The Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes Act, or PATH Act, was enacted in December 2015, and included numerous changes in the U.S. federal income tax laws applicable to

REITs, and comprehensive tax legislation passed on December 22, 2017, which is commonly known as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, or TCJA and, which is fully described in Note 16 to the consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, made fundamental changes to the individual and corporate tax laws that will materially impact us and our shareholders. In addition, future legislation, new regulations, administrative interpretations or court decisions could materially and adversely affect our ability to qualify as a REIT or materially and adversely affect our company and shareholders.

As a result of the Agro Merchants Acquisition, we acquired interests in certain assets and earn certain items of income that are not, or may not be, qualifying assets or income for purposes of the REIT asset and income tests. In addition, although we intend to structure our post-acquisition operation of Agro Merchants in a way that would allow us to continue to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, no assurances can be given that we will be successful.

If we fail to qualify as a REIT in any taxable year, we would be subject to U.S. federal income tax on our REIT taxable income at regular corporate rates, and would not be allowed to deduct dividends paid to our shareholders in computing our REIT taxable income. Also, unless the Internal Revenue Service, or the IRS, granted us relief under certain statutory provisions, we could not re-elect REIT status until the fifth calendar year after the year in which we first failed to qualify as a REIT. The additional tax liability from the failure to qualify as a REIT would reduce or eliminate the amount of cash available for investment or distribution to our shareholders. This would materially and adversely affect us. In addition, we would no longer be required to make distributions to our shareholders. Even if we continue to qualify as a REIT, we will continue to be subject to certain U.S. federal, state and local taxes on our income and property.

# To qualify as a REIT, we must meet annual distribution requirements, which could result in material harm to our company if they are not met.

To obtain the favorable tax treatment accorded to REITs, among other requirements, we normally will be required each year to distribute to our shareholders at least 90% of our REIT taxable income, determined without regard to the deduction for dividends paid and by excluding net capital gains. We will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on our undistributed REIT taxable income and net capital gains. In addition, if we fail to distribute to our shareholders during each calendar year at least the sum of (a) 85% of our ordinary income for such year; (b) 95% of our capital gain net income for such year; and (c) any undistributed REIT taxable income from prior periods, we will be subject to a 4% excise tax on the excess of the required distribution over the sum of (i) the amounts actually distributed by us and (ii) retained amounts on which we pay U.S. federal income tax at the corporate level. We intend to make distributions to our shareholders to comply with the requirements of the Code for REITs and to minimize or eliminate our U.S. federal income tax obligation. However, differences between the recognition of REIT taxable income and the actual receipt of cash could require us to sell assets or raise capital on a short-term or longterm basis to meet the distribution requirements of the Code. Certain types of assets generate substantial mismatches between REIT taxable income and available cash. Such assets include rental real estate that has been financed through financing structures which require some or all of available cash flows to be used to service borrowings. Further, under amendments to the Code made by TCJA, income must be accrued for U.S. federal income tax purposes no later than when such income is taken into account as revenue in our financial statements, subject to certain exceptions, which could also create mismatches between REIT taxable income and the receipt of cash attributable to such income. As a result, the requirement to distribute a substantial portion of our REIT taxable income could cause us to: (1) sell assets in adverse market conditions; (2) raise capital on unfavorable terms; or (3) distribute amounts that would otherwise be invested in future acquisitions, expansions or developments, capital expenditures or repayment of debt, in order to comply with REIT requirements. Further, amounts distributed will not be available to fund our operations. Under certain circumstances, covenants and provisions in our existing and future debt instruments may prevent us from making distributions that we deem necessary to comply with REIT requirements. Our inability to make required

distributions as a result of such covenants could threaten our status as a REIT and could result in material adverse tax consequences for our company and shareholders.

## We conduct a portion of our business through TRSs, which are subject to certain tax risks.

We have established taxable REIT subsidiaries, or TRSs, and may establish others in the future. Despite our qualification as a REIT, our TRSs must pay income tax on their taxable income. As a result of the enactment of the TCJA, effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2018, our domestic TRSs are subject to U.S. federal income tax on their taxable income at a flat rate of 21% (as well as applicable state and local income tax), but net operating loss, or NOL, carryforwards of TRS losses arising in taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017, may be deducted only to the extent of 80% of TRS taxable income in the carryforward year (computed without regard to the NOL deduction or our dividends paid deduction). In contrast to prior law, which permitted unused NOL carryforwards to be carried back two years and forward 20 years, TCJA provides that losses arising in taxable years ending after December 31, 2017, can no longer be carried back but can be carried forward indefinitely. In addition, we must comply with various tests to continue to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and our income from, and investments in, our TRSs generally do not constitute permissible income and investments for certain of these tests. No more than 20% of the value of a REIT's assets may consist of securities of one or more TRSs. Because TRS securities do not qualify for purposes of the 75% asset test described herein, and because we own other assets that do not, or may not, qualify for the 75% asset test, the 75% asset test may effectively limit the value of our TRS securities to less than 20% of our total assets. Our dealings with our TRSs may be denied deductions, to the extent our dealings with our TRSs are determined not to be arm's length in nature or are otherwise not permitted under the Code.

## Complying with REIT requirements may cause us to forgo otherwise attractive opportunities or liquidate certain of our investments.

To qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, we must continually satisfy tests concerning, among other things, the sources of our income, the nature and diversification of our assets, the amounts we distribute to our shareholders and the ownership of our shares. We may be required to make distributions to our shareholders at disadvantageous times or when we do not have funds readily available for distribution. Thus, compliance with the REIT requirements may, for instance, hinder our ability to make certain otherwise attractive investments or undertake other activities that might otherwise be beneficial to us and our shareholders, or may require us to raise capital or liquidate investments in unfavorable market conditions and, therefore, may hinder our performance.

As a REIT, at the end of each quarter, at least 75% of the value of our assets must consist of cash, cash items, government securities and qualified real estate assets. The remainder of our investments in securities (other than cash, cash items, government securities issued by a TRS and qualified real estate assets) generally cannot include more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of any one issuer or more than 10% of the total value of the outstanding securities of any one issuer. In addition, in general, no more than 5% of the value of our total assets (other than cash, cash items, government securities, securities issued by a TRS and qualified real estate assets) can consist of the securities of any one issuer, and no more than 20% of the value of our total securities can be represented by securities of one or more TRSs. If we fail to comply with these requirements at the end of any quarter, we must correct the failure within 30 days after the end of the quarter or qualify for certain statutory relief provisions to avoid losing our REIT qualification and suffering material adverse tax consequences. The need to comply with the 75% asset test and 20% TRS securities test on an ongoing basis potentially could require us in the future to limit the future acquisition of, or to dispose of, nonqualifying assets, limit the future expansion of our TRSs' assets and operations or dispose of or curtail TRS assets and operations, which could adversely affect our business and could have the effect of reducing our income and amounts available for distribution to our shareholders.

## Future changes to the U.S. federal income tax laws could have an adverse impact on our business and financial results.

Changes to the U.S. federal income tax laws, including changes in applicable tax rates, are proposed regularly. Additionally, the REIT rules are constantly under review by persons involved in the legislative process and by the IRS and the U.S. Department of the Treasury, which may result in revisions to regulations and interpretations in addition to statutory changes. If enacted, such changes could have an adverse impact on our business and financial results.

Other legislative proposals could be enacted in the future that could affect REITs and their shareholders. Prospective investors are urged to consult their tax advisor regarding the effect of any potential tax law changes on an investment in our common shares.

Distributions payable by REITs generally do not qualify for the reduced tax rates that apply to certain other corporate distributions, potentially making an investment in our company less advantageous for certain persons than an investment in an entity with different tax attributes.

The maximum federal income tax rate applicable to "qualified dividend income" payable by non-REIT corporations to certain noncorporate U.S. stockholders is generally 20%, and a 3.8% Medicare tax may also apply. Dividends paid by REITs, however, generally are not eligible for the reduced rates applicable to qualified dividend income. Commencing with taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2018 and continuing through 2025, TCJA temporarily reduces the effective tax rate on ordinary REIT dividends (i.e., dividends other than capital gain dividends and dividends attributable to certain qualified dividend income received by us) for U.S. holders of our common shares that are individuals, estates or trusts by permitting such holders to claim a deduction in determining their taxable income equal to 20% of any such dividends they receive. Taking into account TCJA's reduction in the maximum individual federal income tax rate from 39.6% to 37%, this results in a maximum effective rate of regular income tax on ordinary REIT dividends of 29.6% through 2025 (as compared to the 20% maximum federal income tax rate applicable to qualified dividend income received from a non-REIT corporation). Under final regulations recently issued by the IRS, in order to qualify for this deduction with respect to a dividend on our common shares, a shareholder must hold such shares for more than 45 days during the 91-day period beginning on the date which is 45 days before the date on which such shares become ex-dividend with respect to such dividend (taking into account certain special holding period rules that may, among other consequences, reduce a shareholder's holding period during any period in which the shareholder has diminished its risk of loss with respect to the shares). Shareholders are urged to consult their tax advisors as to their ability to claim this deduction. The more favorable rates applicable to regular corporate distributions could cause investors who are individuals to perceive investments in REITs to be relatively less attractive than investments in the stocks of non-REIT corporations that pay distributions. This could materially and adversely affect the value of the stock of REITs, including our common shares.

In certain circumstances, we may be subject to U.S. federal, state, local or foreign taxes, which would reduce our funds available for distribution to our shareholders.

Even if we qualify and maintain our status as a REIT, we may be subject to certain U.S. federal, state, local or foreign taxes. For example, net income from a "prohibited transaction," including sales or other dispositions of property, other than foreclosure property, held primarily for sale in the ordinary course of business, will be subject to a 100% tax. While we do not intend to hold properties that would be characterized as held for sale in the ordinary course of business, unless a sale or disposition qualifies under statutory safe harbors, there can be no assurance that the IRS would agree with our characterization of our properties or that we will be able to make use of available safe harbors. In addition, we may not be able to make sufficient distributions to avoid income and excise taxes. We may also be subject to state, local, or foreign taxes on our income or property, either

directly or at the level of our Operating Partnership or the other companies through which we indirectly own our assets. Any taxes we pay will reduce our funds available for distribution to our shareholders.

We may also decide to retain certain gains from the sale or other disposition of our property and pay income tax directly on such gains. In that event, our shareholders would be required to include such gains in income and would receive a corresponding credit for their share of taxes paid by us. Any net taxable income earned directly by a TRS will be subject to U.S. federal and state corporate income tax. Furthermore, even though we qualify for taxation as a REIT, if we acquire any asset from a corporation which is or has been a C-corporation in a transaction in which the basis of the asset in our hands is less than the fair market value of the asset determined at the time we acquired the asset, and we subsequently recognize a gain on the disposition of the asset during the five-year period beginning on the date on which we acquired the asset, then we will be required to pay tax at the highest regular corporate tax rate on this gain to the extent of the excess of (a) the fair market value of the asset over (b) our adjusted basis in the asset, in each case determined as of the date on which we acquired the asset. These requirements could limit, delay or impede future sales of our properties. We currently do not expect to sell any asset if the sale would result in the imposition of a material tax liability. We cannot, however, assure you that we will not change our plans in this regard.

## Complying with REIT requirements may limit our ability to hedge effectively and may cause us to incur tax liabilities.

The REIT provisions of the Code limit our ability to hedge our liabilities. Generally, income from a hedging transaction we enter into either to manage risk of interest rate changes with respect to borrowings incurred or to be incurred to acquire or carry real estate assets, or to manage the risk of currency fluctuations with respect to any item of income or gain (or any property which generates such income or gain) that constitutes "qualifying income" for purposes of the 75% or 95% gross income tests applicable to REITs, does not constitute "gross income" for purposes of the 75% or 95% gross income tests, provided that we properly identify the hedging transaction pursuant to the applicable sections of the Code and Treasury Regulations. To the extent that we enter into other types of hedging transactions, the income from those transactions is likely to be treated as non-qualifying income for purposes of both gross income tests. As a result of these rules, we may need to limit our use of otherwise advantageous hedging techniques or implement those hedges through a TRS. The use of a TRS could increase the cost of our hedging activities (because our TRS would be subject to tax on income or gain resulting from hedges entered into by it) or expose us to greater risks than we would otherwise want to bear. In addition, net losses in any of our TRSs will generally not provide any tax benefit except for being carried forward for use against future taxable income of the TRS.

## If our Operating Partnership fails to qualify as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, we would fail to qualify as a REIT.

As a partnership, our Operating Partnership is not subject to U.S. federal income tax on its income. For all tax periods during which the Operating Partnership is treated as a partnership, each of its partners, including us, will be allocated that partner's share of the Operating Partnership's income. Following the admission of additional limited partners, no assurance can be provided, however, that the IRS will not challenge the status of our Operating Partnership as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, or that a court would not sustain such a challenge. If the IRS were successful in treating our Operating Partnership as an association taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, we would fail to meet the gross income tests and certain of the asset tests applicable to REITs and, accordingly, would cease to qualify as a REIT, which would have a material adverse effect on us and our shareholders. Also, our Operating Partnership would then be subject to U.S. federal corporate income tax, which would reduce significantly the amount of its funds available for debt service and for distribution to its partners, including us.

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None.

# **ITEM 2. Properties**

### General

In addition to the information in this Item 2, certain information regarding our portfolio is contained in Schedule III (Financial Statement Schedule) under Part IV, Item 15(a) (2) and which is included in Part II, Item 8.

#### **Our Warehouse Portfolio**

As of December 31, 2020, we operated a global network of 238 warehouses that contained over 1.4 billion cubic feet and approximately 4 million pallet positions. We believe that the volume of cubic feet in our warehouses and the number of pallets contained therein provide a more meaningful measure of our storage space than warehouse surface area expressed in square feet as customers generally contract for storage on a pallet-by-pallet basis, not on a square footage basis. Our warehouses feature customized racking systems that allow for the storage of products on pallets in horizontal rows across vertically stacked levels. Our racking systems can accommodate a wide array of different customer storage needs.

The following table provides summary information regarding the warehouses in our portfolio that we owned, leased or managed as of December 31, 2020.

Country / Region	# of warehouses <sup>(7)</sup>	Cubic feet (in millions) <sup>(7)</sup>	% of total cubic feet	Pallet positions (in thousands)	Average economi occupancy	c	Average physical occupancy	l		venues <sup>(2)</sup> millions)	con (N	pplicable egment atribution (OI) (2)(3) millions)	Total customers (4)
Owned / Leased (5)													
North America													
Central - United States	44	273.6	20 %	1,132.7	80	%	73	%	\$	364.0	\$	141.8	756
East - United States	38	293.4	21 %	820.5	78	%	71	%		320.0		97.2	768
Southeast - United States	62	341.8	25 %	859.4	80	%	74	%		354.4		111.0	775
West - United States	38	234.5	17 %	974.3	74	%	69	%		269.3		101.3	657
Canada	4	25.5	2 %	83.2	86	%	86	%		27.4		11.9	88
North America Total / Average	186	1,168.8	85 %	3,870.1	78	%	72	%	\$	1,335.1	\$	463.2	2,361
International													
Europe	26	111.2	8 %	N/R		N/R	1	N/R		N/R		N/R	N/R
Asia-Pacific	14	70.0	5 %	202.5	95	%	82	%	\$	206.5	\$	55.1	82
South America	3	17.3	2 %	22.6	71	%	71	%		7.7		2.0	38
International Total / Average	43	198.5	15 %	225.1	93	%	81	%	\$	214.2	\$	57.1	120
Owned / Leased Total / Average	229	1,367.3	100 %	4,095.2	79	%	72	%	\$	1,549.3	\$	520.3	2,473
Third-Party Managed													
United States	7	38.5	88 %	_	_		_		\$	259.3	\$	7.8	4
Asia-Pacific (6)	1	_	— %	_	_		_			18.3		2.8	1
Canada	1	5.3	12 %							14.2		1.6	1
Third-Party Managed Total / Average	9	43.8	100 %	_	_		_		\$	291.8	\$	12.2	7
Portfolio Total / Average	238	1,411.1	100 %	4,095.2	79	%	72	%	\$	1,841.1	\$	532.5	2,474
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- (1) We define average economic occupancy as the aggregate number of physically occupied pallets and any additional pallets otherwise contractually committed for a given period, without duplication. We estimate the number of contractually committed pallet positions by taking into account actual pallet commitments specified in each customer's contract, and subtracting the physical pallet positions.
  - We define average physical occupancy as the average number of occupied pallets divided by the estimated number of average physical pallet positions in our warehouses for the year ended December 31, 2020. We estimate the number of physical pallet positions by taking into account actual racked space and by estimating unracked space on an as-if racked basis. We base this estimate on the total cubic feet of each room within the warehouse that is unracked divided by the volume of an assumed rack space that is consistent with the characteristics of the relevant warehouse. On a warehouse by warehouse basis, rack space generally ranges from three to four feet depending upon the type of facility and the nature of the customer goods stored therein. The number of our pallet positions is reviewed and updated quarterly, taking into account changes in racking configurations and room utilization.
- (2) Year ended December 31, 2020.
- (3) We use the term "segment contribution (NOI)" to mean a segment's revenues less its cost of operations (excluding any depreciation and amortization, impairment charges and corporate-level selling, general and administrative expenses). The applicable segment contribution (NOI) from our owned and leased warehouses and our third-party managed warehouses is included in our warehouse segment contribution (NOI) and third-party managed segment contribution (NOI), respectively.
- (4) We serve some of our customers in multiple geographic regions and in multiple facilities within geographic regions. As a result, the total number of customers that we serve is less than the total number of customers reflected in the table above that we serve in each geographic region.
- (5) As of December 31, 2020, we owned 144 of our U.S. warehouses and 37 of our international warehouses, and we leased 38 of our U.S. warehouses and ten of our international warehouses. As of December 31, 2020, fourteen of our owned facilities were located on land that we lease pursuant to long-term ground leases.
- (6) Constitutes non-refrigerated, or "ambient," warehouse space. This facility contains 330,527 square feet of ambient space.
- (7) Data for the Agro acquisition is only included under "number of warehouses" and "cubic feet", data for operational metrics is not relevant (N/R) for the year ended December 31, 2020, as the Agro acquisition closed on December 30, 2020.

We own, develop and manage multiple types of temperature-controlled warehouses, which allows us to service our customers' needs across our network. Our warehouse portfolio consists of five distinct property types:

- <u>Distribution</u>. As of December 31, 2020, we owned or leased 91 distribution centers with approximately 649.5 million cubic feet of temperature-controlled capacity and 1.8 million pallet positions. Distribution centers typically house a wide variety of customers' finished products until future shipment to end users. Each distribution center is located in a key distribution hub that services a distinct surrounding population center in a major market.
- <u>Public</u>. As of December 31, 2020, we owned or leased 86 public warehouses with approximately 427.6 million cubic feet of temperature-controlled capacity and 1.2 million pallet positions. Public warehouses generally store multiple types of inventory and cater to small and medium-sized businesses by primarily serving the needs of local and regional customers.
- <u>Production Advantaged</u>. As of December 31, 2020, we owned or leased 47 production advantaged warehouses with approximately 270.7 million cubic feet of temperature-controlled capacity and 1.2 million pallet positions. Production advantaged warehouses are temperature-controlled warehouses that are typically dedicated to one or a small number of customers. Production advantaged warehouses are generally located adjacent to or otherwise in close proximity to customer processing or production facilities and were often build-to-suit at the time of their construction.
- Facility Leased. As of December 31, 2020, we had 5 facility leased warehouses with approximately 19.5 million cubic feet of temperature-controlled capacity. We charge our customers that are party to these leases rent based on the square footage leased in our warehouses. Our facility leased warehouses are facilities that are leased to third parties, such as retailers, e-tailers, distributors, transportation companies and food producers, that desire to manage their own temperature-controlled warehousing or carry on processing operations generally in warehouses adjacent, or in close proximity, to their retail stores or production facilities. The majority of our facility leased warehouses are leased to third parties under "triple net lease" arrangements.
- <u>Third-Party Managed</u>. As of December 31, 2020, we managed 9 warehouses on behalf of third parties with approximately 43.8 million cubic feet of temperature-controlled capacity. We manage warehouses

on behalf of third parties and provide warehouse management services to several leading food retailers and manufacturers in customer-owned facilities, including some of our largest and longest-standing customers. Our third-party managed segment provides a complete outsourcing solution by managing all aspects of the distribution of our customers' products, including order management, reverse logistics, inventory control and, in some instances, dedicated transportation services for temperature-controlled and ambient (*i.e.*, non-refrigerated) customers.

# **ITEM 3. Legal Proceedings**

From time to time, we may be party to a variety of legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of our business. We are not a party to, nor is any of our property a subject of, any material litigation or legal proceedings or, to the best of our knowledge, any threatened litigation or legal proceedings which, in the opinion of management, individually or in the aggregate, would have a material impact on our business, financial condition, liquidity, results of operations and prospects.

# **ITEM 4. Mine Safety Disclosures**

We sold our limestone quarry on July 1, 2020, and therefore are no longer required to provide information required by Section 1503(a) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and Item 104 of Regulation S-K (17 CFR 229.104).

### **PART II**

# ITEM 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Americold Realty Trust's common shares are listed on the NYSE under the trading symbol "COLD". Our common shares have been publicly traded since January 19, 2018. Prior to that time, there was no public market for our common stock.

On February 26, 2021, we had approximately 252,366,476 common shares outstanding. The number of holders of record of our common shares on February 26, 2021 was 48. This figure does not represent the actual number of beneficial owners of our common shares because our common shares are frequently held in "street name" by securities dealers and others for the benefit of beneficial owners who may vote the shares.

Our future common shares dividends, if and as declared, may vary and will be determined by our Board of Trustees upon the circumstances prevailing at the time, including our financial condition, operating results, estimated taxable income and REIT distribution requirements. These dividends, if and as declared, may be adjusted at the discretion of our board of trustees during the year. Refer to Item 7 - Management's Discussion & Analysis in this Annual Report on Form 10-K for further details on dividends declared.

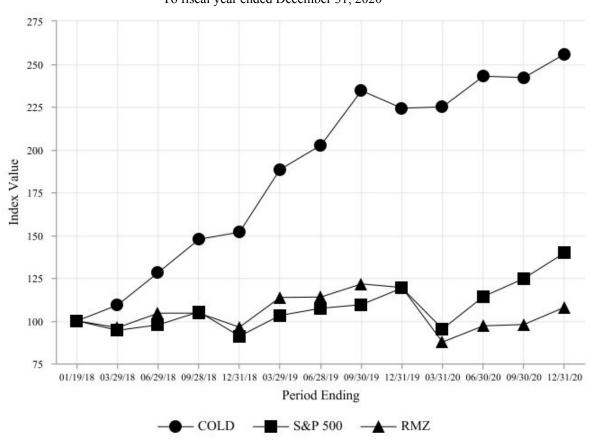
Subject to the distribution requirements applicable to REITs under the Code, Americold Realty Trust intends, to the extent practicable, to invest substantially all of the proceeds from sales and refinancing of its assets in real estate-related assets and other assets. Americold Realty Trust may, however, under certain circumstances, make a dividend of capital or of assets. Such dividends, if any, will be made at the discretion of Americold Realty Trust's board of trustees.

## **Stock Performance Graph**

The following graph compares the change in the cumulative total stockholder return on Americold Realty Trust common stock during the period from January 19, 2018 (the date of our IPO) through December 31, 2020, with the cumulative total returns on the MSCI US REIT Index (RMZ) and the S&P 500 Market Index. The comparison assumes that \$100 was invested on January 19, 2018 in Americold Realty Trust common stock and in each of these indices and assumes reinvestment of dividends, if any.

# Comparison of Cumulative Total Returns Among Americold Realty Trust, S&P 500, and RMZ Index

Assumes \$100 invested on January 19, 2018
Assumes dividends reinvested
To fiscal year ended December 31, 2020



Pricing Date	COLD (\$)	S&P 500(\$)	RMZ(\$)
1/19/2018	100.00	100.00	100.00
3/29/2018	109.00	94.22	95.84
6/29/2018	127.97	97.57	104.38
9/28/2018	147.59	105.03	104.43
12/31/2018	151.79	90.82	96.30
3/29/2019	188.35	103.00	113.59
6/28/2019	202.61	107.35	113.93
9/30/2019	234.25	109.24	121.52
12/31/2019	224.06	119.05	119.34
3/31/2020	225.00	95.01	87.63
6/30/2020	242.79	114.17	96.97
9/30/2020	241.88	124.49	97.65
12/31/2020	255.61	139.57	107.88

- This graph and the accompanying text are not "soliciting material," are not deemed filed with the SEC and are not to be incorporated by reference in any filing by us under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Security Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, whether made before or after the date hereof and irrespective of any general incorporation language in any such filing.
- The stock price performance shown on the graph is not necessarily indicative of future price performance.
- The hypothetical investment in Americold Realty Trust's common stock presented in the stock performance graph above is based on the closing price of the common stock on January 19, 2018.

### **Sales of Unregistered Securities**

None.

### **Purchases of Equity Securities**

None.

## Securities Authorized For Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans

Information relating to compensation plans under which our common shares are authorized for issuance is set forth under Part III, Item 12 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K and such information is incorporated by reference herein.

## **Use of Proceeds**

On April 16, 2020, the 2019 ATM Equity Program was terminated and replaced with the 2020 ATM Equity Program. Under the 2020 ATM Equity Program, we may sell, from time to time, up to an aggregate sales price of \$500.0 million of the Company's common shares. We intend to use the net proceeds from sales of our common shares pursuant to the 2020 ATM Equity Program for general corporate purposes, which may include funding acquisitions and development projects.

During the year ended December 31, 2020, there were 7,440,532 common shares sold under the 2020 ATM Equity Program, resulting in gross proceeds of \$272.6 million. The proceeds were offset by \$3.0 million of fees. Included in the shares sold under the 2020 ATM Equity Program were forward sale agreements to sell

4,346,101 common shares for gross proceeds of \$162.2 million. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company settled 5,011,428 common shares for gross proceeds of \$183.0 million under its ATM equity program. Pursuant to the respective forward sale agreements, the remaining 2,428,604 of shares must be settled by September 1, 2021 for gross proceeds of \$89.6 million.

After considering the common shares issued during 2020 and the shares subject to the forward sale agreements, the Company had approximately \$227.4 million of availability remaining for distribution under the 2020 ATM Equity Program as of December 31, 2020.

On October 13, 2020, the Company completed an underwritten registered public offering pursuant to forward sale agreements in which the forward purchasers borrowed and sold to the underwriters in the public offering 31,900,000 common shares, as well as an option for the underwriters to purchase 4,785,000 additional common shares. The initial forward sale price was \$36.67 per share, which is the public offering price per share, less the underwriting discount per share. On November 9, 2020, the underwriters exercised in full its option to purchase 4,785,000 additional common shares. On December 29, 2020, the Company issued 31,900,000 common shares generating net proceeds of \$1.17 billion, upon settlement of its forward contract in order to fund the Agro acquisition, and through the issuance of 14,166,667 common shares of the Company (the "Acquisition Shares") to the Sellers at closing on December 30, 2020. As of December 31, 2020, the underwriter's option to purchase 4,785,000 additional common shares is outstanding under forward contracts.

O	ther	Share	holder	Matters

None.

ITEM 6. Selected Financial Data

None.

# ITEM 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. In addition, the following discussion contains forward-looking statements, such as statements regarding our expectation for future performance, liquidity and capital resources, that involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations. Our actual results may differ materially from those contained in or implied by any forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause such differences include those identified below and those described under Item 1A of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Refer to our Annual Report on Form 10-K as filed on March 2, 2020, for a discussion of the comparative results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

### **Management's Overview**

We are the world's largest publicly traded REIT focused on the ownership, operation, acquisition and development of temperature-controlled warehouses. We are organized as a self-administered and self-managed REIT with proven operating, development and acquisition expertise. As of December 31, 2020, we operated a global network of 238 temperature-controlled warehouses encompassing over 1.4 billion cubic feet, with 194 warehouses in North America, 26 in Europe, 15 warehouses in Asia-Pacific, and 3 warehouses in South America. We view and manage our business through three primary business segments: warehouse, third–party managed and transportation. In addition, we hold two minority interests in Brazilian-based joint ventures, one with SuperFrio, which owns or operates 22 temperature-controlled warehouses and one with Comfrio, which owns or operates 13 temperature-controlled warehouses.

## **Components of Our Results of Operations**

Warehouse. Our primary source of revenues consists of rent, storage and warehouse services fees. Our rent, storage and warehouse services revenues are the key drivers of our financial performance. Rent and storage revenues consist of recurring, periodic charges related to the storage of frozen and perishable food and other products in our warehouses by our customers. We also provide these customers with a wide array of handling and other warehouse services, such as (1) receipt, handling and placement of products into our warehouses for storage and preservation, (2) retrieval of products from storage upon customer request, (3) blast freezing, which involves the rapid freezing of non-frozen products, including individual quick freezing for agricultural produce and seafood, (4) case-picking, which involves selecting product cases to build customized pallets, (5) kitting and repackaging, which involves assembling custom product packages for delivery to retailers and consumers, and labeling services, (6) order assembly and load consolidation, (7) exporting and importing support services, (8) container handling, (9) cross-docking, which involves transferring inbound products to outbound trucks utilizing our warehouse docks without storing them in our warehouses, (10) government-approved temperature-controlled storage and inspection services, (11) fumigation, (12) pre-cooling and cold treatment services, and (13) ripening. We refer to these handling and other warehouse services as our value-added services.

Cost of operations for our warehouse segment consists of power, other facilities costs, labor, and other services costs. Labor, the largest component of the cost of operations from our warehouse segment, consists primarily of employee wages, benefits, and workers' compensation. Trends in our labor expense are influenced by changes in headcount and compensation levels, changes in customer requirements, workforce productivity, variability in costs associated with medical insurance and the impact of workplace safety programs, inclusive of the number and severity of workers' compensation claims. Labor expense is also impacted as a result of discretionary bonuses. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we have incorporated certain inefficiencies such as staggered break schedules, social distancing, and other changes to process, all of which we expect to continue

to incur going forward. Our second largest cost of operations from our warehouse segment is power utilized in the operation of our temperature-controlled warehouses. As a result, trends in the price for power in the regions where we operate may have a significant effect on our financial results. We may from time to time hedge our exposure to changes in power prices through fixed rate agreements or, to the extent possible and appropriate, through rate escalations or power surcharge provisions within our customer contracts. Additionally, business mix impacts power expense depending on the temperature zone or type of freezing required. Other facilities costs include utilities other than power, property insurance, property taxes, sanitation (which include incremental supplies as a result of COVID-19), repairs and maintenance on real estate, rent under real property operating leases, where applicable, security, and other related facilities costs. Other services costs include equipment costs, warehouse consumables (e.g., shrink-wrap and uniforms), personal protective equipment to maintain the health and safety of our associates, warehouse administration and other related services costs.

Third-Party Managed. We receive a reimbursement of substantially all expenses for warehouses that we manage on behalf of third-party owners, with all reimbursements recognized as revenues under the relevant accounting guidance. We also earn management fees, incentive fees upon achieving negotiated performance and cost-savings results, or an applicable mark-up on costs. Cost of operations for our third-party managed segment is reimbursed on a pass-through basis (typically within two weeks).

Transportation. We charge transportation fees, including fuel surcharges, to our customers for whom we arrange the transportation of their products. Cost of operations for our transportation segment consists primarily of third-party carrier charges, which are impacted by factors affecting those carriers. Additionally, in connection with the Cloverleaf Acquisition, we acquired trucks and associates that support certain customers within the geographic area. We supplemented our regional, national and truckload consolidation business with the Hall's acquisition, which services the Northeast corridor of the U.S. with an owned and maintained fleet. Our acquisition of Agro Merchants further expands our Transportation service offering. Agro Merchants operates its own fleet of temperature-controlled vehicles in the U.S., Ireland and UK and also offers a variety of non-asset based transportation management services. These include multi-modal global freight forwarding services to support our customers' needs.

*Other*. In addition to our primary business segments, we owned and operated a limestone quarry in Carthage, Missouri for the first half of 2020. Revenues were generated from the sale of limestone mined at our quarry. Cost of operations for our quarry consisted primarily of labor, equipment, fuel and explosives. The sale of our quarry business segment was completed on July 1, 2020.

Other Consolidated Operating Expenses. We also incur depreciation and amortization expenses, corporate-level selling, general and administrative expenses and corporate-level acquisition, litigation and other expenses.

Our depreciation and amortization charges result primarily from the capital-intensive nature of our business. The principal components of depreciation relate to our warehouses, including buildings and improvements, refrigeration equipment, racking, leasehold improvements, material handling equipment, furniture and fixtures, and our computer hardware and software. Amortization relates primarily to intangible assets for customer relationships.

Our corporate-level selling, general and administrative expenses consist primarily of wages and benefits for management, administrative, business development, account management, project management, marketing, engineering, supply-chain solutions, human resources and information technology personnel, as well as expenses related to equity incentive plans, communications and data processing, travel, professional fees, bad debt, training, office equipment and supplies. Trends in corporate-level selling, general and administrative expenses are

influenced by changes in headcount and compensation levels and achievement of incentive compensation targets. To position ourselves to meet the challenges of the current business environment, we have implemented a shared services support structure to better manage costs and enhance the efficiency of our operations.

Our corporate-level acquisition, litigation and other expenses consist of costs that we view outside of selling, general and administrative expenses with a high level of variability from period-to-period, and include the following:

- Acquisition related costs include costs associated with transactions, whether consummated or not, such as advisory, legal, accounting, valuation and other professional or consulting fees. We also include integration costs pre- and post-acquisition that reflect work being performed to facilitate merger and acquisition integration, such as employee retention expense and work associated with information systems and other projects including spending to support future acquisitions, which primarily consist of professional services.
- Litigation costs incurred in order to defend ourselves from litigation charges outside of the normal course of business and related settlement costs.
- Severance costs representing certain contractual and negotiated severance and separation costs from exited former executives, reduction in headcount due to synergies achieved through acquisitions or operational efficiencies, and reduction in workforce costs associated with exiting or selling non-strategic warehouses.
- Equity acceleration costs representing the unrecognized expense for share-based awards that vest and convert to common shares in advance of the original negotiated vesting date and any other equity award changes resulting in accounting for the award as a modification.
- Non-offering related equity issuance expenses whether incurred through our initial public offering, follow-on offerings or secondary offerings.
- Non-recurring public company implementation costs associated with the implementation of financial reporting systems and processes needed to convert the organization to a public reporting company.
- Terminated site operations costs represent expenses incurred to return leased sites to their original physical state at lease inception in connection with the termination of the applicable underlying lease. These terminations were part of our strategic efforts to exit or sell non-strategic warehouses as opposed to ordinary course lease expirations. Repair and maintenance expenses associated with our ordinary course operations are reflected as operating expenses on our consolidated statement of operations.
- Other costs relate to additional superannuation pension costs related to prior years upon review by the Australian Tax Office.

## **Key Factors Affecting Our Business and Financial Results**

## Acquisitions and Joint Ventures

On February 1, 2019, we completed the PortFresh Acquisition for a purchase price of approximately \$35.9 million, utilizing available cash on hand. PortFresh consisted of one facility operating near the port of Savannah, Georgia and adjacent land upon which we have constructed a newly developed facility. This newly constructed facility received its certificate of occupancy during the second quarter of 2020. Since the date of acquisition, we have reported the results of the acquired facility within our Warehouse segment.

On May 1, 2019, we completed the Cloverleaf Acquisition for a purchase price of approximately \$1.24 billion, utilizing the \$1.21 billion net proceeds from our April 2019 follow-on offering and cash drawn from our senior unsecured revolving credit facility. Cloverleaf was the fifth largest temperature-controlled warehousing provider in the United States, based in Sioux City, Iowa and consisted of 22 facilities in nine states. Cloverleaf also generates income through a small component of transportation operations. Since the date of acquisition, we have reported the results of 21 facilities within our warehouse segment, the results of one facility within our third-party managed segment and the results of Cloverleaf's transportation operations within our transportation segment.

Also, on May 1, 2019, we completed the Lanier Acquisition for approximately \$82.5 million utilizing cash drawn from our senior unsecured revolving credit facility. Lanier consisted of two temperature-controlled storage facilities in Georgia serving the poultry industry. Since the date of acquisition, we have reported the results of these facilities within our warehouse segment.

On November 19, 2019, we completed the MHW Acquisition for a purchase price of approximately \$51.6 million, utilizing available cash on hand. MHW consisted of two temperature-controlled storage facilities, one located in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania and another in Perryville, Maryland. Since the date of acquisition, we have reported the results of these facilities within our warehouse segment.

On January 2, 2020, we completed the purchase of all outstanding shares of Nova Cold for cash consideration of C\$338.7 million (USD \$260.6 million). Nova Cold consisted of four temperature-controlled facilities in Toronto, Calgary and Halifax. The acquisition was funded utilizing proceeds from the settlement of our April 2019 forward sale agreement combined with funds drawn on our 2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility. Since the date of acquisition, we have reported the results of these facilities within our warehouse segment.

Also, on January 2, 2020, we completed the purchase of all outstanding membership interests of Newport Cold for cash consideration of \$57.7 million, utilizing available cash on hand. Newport Cold consists of a single temperature-controlled warehouse located in St. Paul, Minnesota. Since the date of acquisition, we have reported the results of this facility within our warehouse segment.

On March 6, 2020, we acquired a 14.99% ownership interest in Superfrio Armazéns Gerais S.A. (SuperFrio) for Brazil Real Dollars of R\$117.8 million, or approximately USD \$25.7 million, inclusive of certain legal fees. We funded the purchase price using cash on hand. Our pro-rata share of the Brazil JV's results are included within "(Loss) income from investments in partially owned entities". As of December 31, 2020, SuperFrio owns or operates 22 temperature-controlled warehouses in Brazil.

On August 31, 2020, we completed the acquisition of Caspers Cold Storage for cash consideration of approximately \$25.6 million, utilizing available cash on hand. Caspers consisted of a single temperature-controlled warehouse located in Tampa, Florida. Since the date of acquisition, we have reported the results of this facility within our warehouse segment.

Additionally, on August 31, 2020, we completed the acquisition of AM-C Warehouses for cash consideration of approximately \$82.7 million, utilizing available cash on hand. AM-C Warehouses consisted of an owned facility in Mansfield, Texas and a leased facility in Grand Prairie, Texas. Since the date of acquisition, we have reported the results of these facilities within our warehouse segment.

On November 2, 2020, we completed the acquisition of New Jersey based Halls Warehouse Corporation for \$489.2 million. Halls consisted of eight facilities near the Port of Newark. Halls also provides transportation

services to its customers. Since the date of acquisition, we have reported the results of the facilities within our warehouse segment, and the results of Halls transportation services within our transportation segment.

On December 30, 2020, we completed the acquisition of Agro Merchants for total consideration of \$1.59 billion, including cash received of \$47.5 million. This was comprised of cash consideration totaling \$1.08 billion, of which \$49.7 million was deferred, and the issuance of 14,166,667 common shares of beneficial interest to Oaktree, with a fair value of \$512.1 million based upon the closing share price on December 29, 2020 of \$36.15. Financing lease and sale-leaseback obligations associated with the acquisition totaled \$119.9 million, and when added to the total consideration transferred brings the total transaction cost to approximately \$1.7 billion. The one business day of results was immaterial to the Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2020. Agro Merchants operates more than 236 million cubic feet of temperature-controlled warehouse and distribution space across 46 facilities and provides transportation services in the United States, Europe, Australia and Chile. We expect to report the results of these facilities within our warehouse segment in 2021, and the results of the transportation operations within our transportation segment in 2021.

Our results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2020 includes the four months for the activity of the AM-C and Caspers acquisitions, and the two months for the activity of the Halls acquisition. Our results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2019 includes the one month and partial period of November for the activity of the MHW Acquisition, eight months of activity for the Cloverleaf Acquisition and Lanier Acquisition, and eleven months of activity for the PortFresh Acquisition. Refer to Notes 2 and 3 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in this Annual Report on Form 10-K for further information.

#### COVID-19

We are continuing to closely monitor the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on all aspects of our business and geographies, including how it will impact our customers and business partners. While we have not experienced significant disruptions on our operations from the COVID-19 pandemic thus far, we are unable to predict the future impact that the COVID-19 pandemic may have on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows due to numerous uncertainties arising from the pandemic. The extent to which COVID-19 impacts our operations will depend on future developments, which are highly uncertain and cannot be predicted with any degree of confidence, including the scope, severity, duration and geographies of the outbreak, the actions taken to contain the COVID-19 pandemic or mitigate its impact as requested or mandated by governmental authorities or otherwise voluntarily taken by individuals or businesses, and the direct and indirect economic effects of the outbreak and containment measures, among others. Our business is deemed an "essential business" as defined by the Department of Homeland Security, which means that our associates are able to continue working in our facilities during "shelter-in-place" or "stay-at-home" orders. The outbreak of COVID-19 in the United States and other countries in which we operate, has significantly adversely impacted global economic activity and has contributed to significant volatility and negative pressure in financial markets. The global impact of the outbreak has led many nations, states and local authorities to institute "shelter-in-place" or "stay-at-home" orders, mandate business and school closures and restrict travel. Certain states and cities, including where we own properties, have development sites and where our principal place of business is located, have also reacted by instituting restrictions on travel, "shelter in place" rules, restrictions on types of business that may continue to operate, and/or restrictions on the types of construction projects that may continue. Many states and cities have begun implementing "reopening" plans, however, these restrictions vary widely by jurisdiction and may continue to change as the COVID-19 pandemic progresses. The negative impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic are pervasive across a broad spectrum of industries, including industries in which we, our customers and business partners operate. Negative impacts from COVID-19 may negatively impact the business and operations of our customers and business partners (including our suppliers). Further, the impacts of a potentially worsening of global economic conditions and the continued disruptions to, and volatility in, the credit and financial markets, consumer and business spending as well as other unanticipated consequences continue to remain unknown. The impacts of locations of outbreaks and actions mandated by governmental authorities or taken voluntarily by businesses and individuals to contain or mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and the timing of the repeal or loosening of such restrictions are also unknown. As a result, we cannot at this time predict the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, but it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, liquidity, results of operations and prospects. Refer to "Risk Factors - Risks Related to Public Health Crises - We face various risks and uncertainties related to public health crises, including the recent and ongoing global outbreak of the novel coronavirus and variants (COVID-19). The COVID-19 pandemic is growing and its impacts are uncertain and hard to measure and may have a material adverse effect on us.

# Foreign Currency Translation Impact on Our Operations

Our consolidated revenues and expenses are subject to variations caused by the net effect of foreign currency translation on revenues and expenses incurred by our operations outside the United States. Future fluctuations of foreign currency exchange rates and their impact on our Consolidated Statements of Operations are inherently uncertain. As a result of the relative size of our international operations, these fluctuations may be material on our results of operations. Our revenues and expenses from our international operations are typically denominated in the local currency of the country in which they are derived or incurred. Therefore, the impact of foreign currency fluctuations on our results of operations and margins is partially mitigated.

The following table shows a comparison of underlying average exchange rates of the foreign currencies that impacted our U.S. dollar-reported revenues and expenses during the periods discussed herein together with a

comparison against the exchange rates of such currencies at the end of the applicable periods presented herein. The rates below represent the U.S. dollar equivalent of one unit of the respective foreign currency. Amounts presented in constant currency within our results of operations are calculated by applying the average foreign exchange rate from the comparable prior year period to actual local currency results in the current period, rather than the actual exchange rates in effect during the respective period. While constant currency metrics are a non-GAAP calculation and do not represent actual results, the comparison allows the reader to understand the impact of the underlying operations in addition to the impact of changing foreign exchange rates.

Foreign Currency	Foreign exchange rates as of December 31, 2020	Average foreign exchange rates used to translate actual operating results for the year ended December 31, 2020	Foreign exchange rates as of December 31, 2019	Prior period average foreign exchange rate used to adjust actual operating results for the year ended December 31, 2020 <sup>(1)</sup>
Australian dollar	0.769	0.688	0.703	0.699
New Zealand dollar	0.718	0.649	0.675	0.664
Argentine peso	0.012	0.014	0.017	0.022
Canadian dollar	0.785	0.746	0.772	0.752
Euro <sup>(2)</sup>	1.222	N/A	N/A	N/A
British pound <sup>(2)</sup>	1.367	N/A	N/A	N/A
Chilean peso <sup>(2)</sup>	0.141	N/A	N/A	N/A
Poland Zloty <sup>(2)</sup>	0.268	N/A	N/A	N/A
Brazilian real <sup>(3)</sup>	0.193	0.185	N/A	N/A

- (1) Represents the relevant average foreign exchange rates in effect in the comparable prior period applied to the activity for the current period. The average foreign currency exchange rates we apply to our operating results are derived from third party reporting sources for the periods indicated.
- (2) Included due to our acquisition of Agro on December 30, 2020, no rates are reflected prior to our investment.
- (3) Included due to our investment in the Brazil JV in March 2020, thus prior year rates not included during period prior to our investment. The average rate used for the year ended December 31, 2020 reflects the average rate from the date of our initial investment through the end of the year.

## Focus on Our Operational Effectiveness and Cost Structure

We continuously seek to execute on various initiatives aimed at streamlining our business processes and reducing our cost structure, including: realigning and centralizing key business processes and fully integrating acquired assets and businesses; implementing standardized operational processes; integrating and launching new information technology tools and platforms; instituting key health, safety, leadership and training programs; and capitalizing on the purchasing power of our network. Through the realignment of our business processes, we have acquired new talent and strengthened our service offerings. In order to reduce costs in our facilities, we have invested in energy efficiency projects, including LED lighting, thermal energy storage, motion-sensor technology, variable frequency drives for our fans and compressors, third party efficiency reviews and real-time monitoring of energy consumption, rapid open and close doors, and alternative-power generation technologies to improve the energy efficiency of our warehouses. We have also performed fine-tuning of our refrigeration systems, deployed efficient energy management practices, such as time-of-use and awareness, and have increased our participation in Power Demand Response programs with some of our power suppliers. These initiatives have allowed us to reduce our consumption of kilowatt hours and energy spend.

As part of our initiatives to streamline our business processes and to reduce our cost structure, we have evaluated and exited less strategic and profitable markets or business lines, including the sale of certain warehouse assets, the exit of certain leased facilities, the exit of certain managed warehouse agreements, the sale of our quarry business and the exit of the China JV (see Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in this

Annual Report on Form 10-K for more information regarding the China JV). Through our process of active portfolio management, we continue to evaluate our markets and offerings.

#### Strategic Shift within Our Transportation Segment

Several years ago, we initiated a strategic shift in our transportation segment services and solutions. The intention of this strategic shift was to better focus our business on the operation of our temperature-controlled warehouses. Specifically, we have gradually exited certain commoditized, non-scalable, or low margin services we historically offered to our customers, in favor of more profitable and value-added programs, such as regional, national, truckload and retailer-specific multi-vendor consolidation services. We designed each value-added program to improve efficiency and reduce transportation and logistics costs to our warehouse customers, whose transportation spend typically represents the majority of their supply-chain costs. We believe this efficiency and cost reduction helps to drive increased client retention, as well as maintain high occupancy levels in our temperature-controlled warehouses. Over the last several years, we have made significant progress in implementing our strategic initiative of growing our transportation service offering in a way that complements our temperature-controlled warehouse business, for example, we have also added a dedicated fleet service offering through acquisitions. We intend to continue executing this strategy in the future.

## Historically Significant Customer

For the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019, and 2018 one customer accounted for more than 10% of our total revenues, with revenues received of \$257.3 million, \$211.1 million and \$212.8 million, respectively. The substantial majority of this customer's business relates to our third-party managed segment. We are reimbursed for substantially all expenses we incur in managing warehouses on behalf of third-party owners. We recognize these reimbursements as revenues under applicable accounting guidance, but generally do not affect our financial results because they are offset by the corresponding expenses that we recognize in our third-party managed segment cost of operations. Of the revenues received from this customer, \$241.8 million, \$195.4 million, and \$196.3 million represented reimbursements for certain expenses we incurred during the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively, that were offset by matching expenses included in our third-party managed cost of operations.

### Economic Occupancy of our Warehouses

We define average economic occupancy as the aggregate number of physically occupied pallets and any additional pallets otherwise contractually committed for a given period, without duplication. We estimate the number of contractually committed pallet positions by taking into account the actual pallet commitment specified in each customers' contract, and subtracting the physical pallet positions. We regard economic occupancy as an important driver of our financial results. Historically, providers of temperature-controlled warehouse space have offered storage services to customers on an as-utilized, on-demand basis. We actively seek to enter into contracts that implement our commercial business rules which contemplate, among other things, fixed storage commitments in connection with establishing new customer relationships. Additionally, we actively seek opportunities to transition our current customers to contracts that feature a fixed storage commitment when renewing existing agreements or upon the change in the anticipated profile of our customer. This strategy mitigates the impact of changes in physical occupancy throughout the course of the year due to seasonality, as well as other factors that can impact physical occupancy while ensuring our customers have the necessary space they need to support their business.

## Throughput at our Warehouses

The level and nature of throughput at our warehouses is an important factor impacting our warehouse services revenues in our warehouse segment. Throughput refers to the volume of pallets that enter and exit our warehouses. Higher levels of throughput drive warehouse services revenues in our warehouse segment as customers are typically billed on a basis that takes into account the level of throughput of the goods they store in our warehouses. The nature of throughput may be driven by the expected turn of the underlying product or commodity. Throughput pallets can be influenced both by the food manufacturers as well as shifts in demand preferences. Food manufacturers' production levels, which respond to market conditions and consumer preferences, may impact inbound pallets. Similarly, a change in inventory turnover due to shift in customer demand may impact outbound pallets.

## **How We Assess the Performance of Our Business**

## Segment Contribution (Net Operating Income or "NOI")

We evaluate the performance of our primary business segments based on their contribution (NOI) to our overall results of operations. We use the term "segment contribution (NOI)" to mean a segment's revenues less its cost of operations (excluding any depreciation and amortization, impairment charges, corporate-level selling, general and administrative expenses and corporate-level acquisition, litigation and other expenses). We use segment contribution (NOI) to evaluate our segments for purposes of making operating decisions and assessing performance in accordance with FASB ASC, Topic 280, *Segment Reporting*.

We also analyze the "segment contribution (NOI) margin" for each of our business segments, which we calculate as segment contribution (NOI) divided by segment revenues.

In addition to our segment contribution (NOI) and segment contribution (NOI) margin, we analyze the contribution (NOI) of our warehouse rent and storage operations and our warehouse services operations within our warehouse segment. We calculate the contribution (NOI) of our warehouse rent and storage operations as rent and storage revenues less power and other facilities cost. We calculate the contribution (NOI) of our warehouse services operations as warehouse services revenues less labor and other service costs. We calculate the contribution (NOI) margin for each of these operations as the applicable contribution (NOI) measure divided by the applicable revenue measure. We believe the presentation of these contribution (NOI) and contribution (NOI) margin measures helps investors understand the relative revenues, costs and earnings resulting from each of these separate types of services we provide to our customers in the same manner reviewed by our management in connection with the operation of our business. These contribution (NOI) measures within our warehouse segment are not measurements of financial performance under U.S. GAAP, and these measures should be considered as supplements, but not as alternatives, to our results calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP. We provide reconciliations of these measures in the discussions of our comparative results of operations below.

#### Same Store Analysis

We define our "same store" population once a year at the beginning of the current calendar year. Our same store population includes properties that were owned or leased for the entirety of two comparable periods and that have reported at least twelve months of consecutive normalized operations prior to January 1 of the prior calendar year. We define "normalized operations" as properties that have been open for operation or lease after development or significant modification, including the expansion of a warehouse footprint or a warehouse rehabilitation subsequent to an event, such as a natural disaster or similar event causing disruption to operations. In addition, our definition of "normalized operations" takes into account changes in the ownership structure (e.g., purchase of a previously leased warehouse would result in different charges in the compared periods), which would impact comparability in our warehouse segment contribution (NOI).

Acquired properties will be included in the "same store" population if owned by us as of the first business day of each year, of the prior calendar year and still owned by us as of the end of the current reporting period, unless the property is under development. The "same store" pool is also adjusted to remove properties that were sold or entering development subsequent to the beginning of the current calendar year. As such, the "same store" population for the period ended December 31, 2020 includes all properties that we owned at January 2, which had both been owned and had reached "normalized operations" by January 2, 2019.

We calculate "same store contribution (NOI)" as revenues for the same store population less its cost of operations (excluding any depreciation and amortization, impairment charges and corporate-level selling, general and administrative expenses, corporate-level acquisition, litigation and other expenses and gain or loss on sale of real estate). In order to derive an appropriate measure of period-to-period operating performance, we also calculate our same store contribution (NOI) on a constant currency basis to remove the effects of foreign currency exchange rate movements by using the comparable prior period exchange rate to translate from local currency into U.S. dollars for both periods. We evaluate the performance of the warehouses we own or lease using a "same store" analysis, and we believe that same store contribution (NOI) is helpful to investors as a supplemental performance measure because it includes the operating performance from the population of properties that is consistent from period to period and also on a constant currency basis, thereby eliminating the effects of changes in the composition of our warehouse portfolio and currency fluctuations on performance measures.

The following table shows the number of same-store warehouses in our portfolio and the number of warehouses excluded as same-store warehouses for the year ended December 31, 2020. While not included in the non-same store warehouse count in the table below, the results of operations for the non-same store warehouses includes the partial period impact of the sites that were exited during the year ended December 31, 2020, as described in footnote 2 following the table. In addition, we hold two minority interests in Brazilian-based joint ventures, one with SuperFrio, which owns or operates 22 temperature-controlled warehouses and one with Comfrio, which owns or operates 13 temperature-controlled warehouses; these joint ventures are not included in the table below.

Total Warehouses	238
Same Store Warehouses (1)	135
Non-Same Store Warehouses (1)	94
Third-Party Managed Warehouses (2)	9

<sup>(1)</sup> At the beginning of 2020 we reclassified one facility in our portfolio to the same store population from the non-same store population as a result of achieving normalized operations, two facilities were reclassified from to our non-same store population from our same store population as a result of the redevelopment impact to the Atlanta Major Market Strategy that is in progress, and one facility that was in the same-store population was sold. During 2020, we acquired four facilities in connection with the Nova Cold Acquisition, one facility in connection with the Newport Acquisition, two facilities in connection with the AM-C Acquisition, one facility in connection with the Caspers Acquisition, eight facilities in connection with the Halls Acquisition and 46 facilities in connection with the Agro Acquisition, all of which were added to the non-same store population. Additionally, during 2020 we completed a development upon land that was acquired in connection with the PortFresh Acquisition, which was added to the non-same store population.

Same store contribution (NOI) is not a measurement of financial performance under U.S. GAAP. In addition, other companies providing temperature-controlled warehouse storage and handling and other warehouse services may not define same store or calculate same store contribution (NOI) in a manner consistent with our definition or calculation. Same store contribution (NOI) should be considered as a supplement, but not as an alternative, to our results calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP. We provide reconciliations of these measures in the discussions of our comparative results of operations below.

<sup>(2)</sup> During 2020, we exited two third-party managed warehouses, which were not renewed upon expiration of the operating agreement.

## **Constant Currency Metrics**

As discussed above under "Key Factors Affecting Our Business and Financial Results—Foreign Currency Translation Impact on Our Operations," our consolidated revenues and expenses are subject to variations outside our control that are caused by the net effect of foreign currency translation on revenues generated and expenses incurred by our operations outside the United States. As a result, in order to provide a framework for assessing how our underlying businesses performed excluding the effect of foreign currency fluctuations, we analyze our business performance based on certain constant currency reporting that represents current period results translated into U.S. dollars at the relevant average foreign exchange rates applicable in the comparable prior period. We believe that the presentation of constant currency results provides a measurement of our ongoing operations that is meaningful to investors because it excludes the impact of these foreign currency movements that we cannot control. Constant currency results are not measurements of financial performance under U.S. GAAP, and our constant currency results should be considered as a supplement, but not as an alternative, to our results calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP. The constant currency performance measures should not be considered a substitute for, or superior to, the measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. We provide reconciliations of these measures in the discussions of our comparative results of operations below. Our discussion of the drivers of our performance below are based upon U.S. GAAP.

#### SEC Amendments to Financial Disclosures about Acquired and Disposed Businesses

In May 2020, the SEC adopted the final rule under SEC release No. 33-10786, Amendments to Financial Disclosures about Acquired and Disposed Businesses, amending Rule 1-02(w)(2) which includes amendments to certain of its rules and forms related to the disclosure of financial information regarding acquired or disposed businesses. Among other changes, the amendments impact SEC rules relating to (1) the definition of "significant" subsidiaries, (2) requirements to provide financial statements for "significant" acquisitions, and (3) revisions to the formulation and usage of pro forma financial information. The final rule is effective on January 1, 2021; however, voluntary early adoption is permitted. The Company early adopted the provisions of the final rule in the third quarter of 2020. We have applied the new rules to the contemplated and completed acquisitions since the date of adoption. The Agro acquisition met the SEC's revised definition of significance, requiring one year of audited financial statements and pro forma financial information and was filed on Form 8-K/A on February 26, 2021.

## Presentation

A detailed discussion of the 2020 year-over-year changes can be found below and a detailed discussion of the 2019 year-over-year changes can be found in "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 2, 2020.

# **Results of Operations**

# Comparison of Results for the Years Ended December 31, 2020 and 2019

# Warehouse Segment

The following table presents the operating results of our warehouse segment for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

	,	Year e	nded December	31,		Cha	inge
	 2020 actual	2	2020 constant currency <sup>(1)</sup>		2019 actual	Actual	Constant currency
		(Doll	lars in thousand	s)			
Rent and storage	\$ 666,150	\$	669,154	\$	582,509	14.4 %	14.9 %
Warehouse services	 883,164		885,728		794,708	11.1 %	11.5 %
Total warehouse segment revenue	1,549,314		1,554,882		1,377,217	12.5 %	12.9 %
Power	90,533		91,039		82,380	9.9 %	10.5 %
Other facilities costs (2)	137,216		137,887		113,551	20.8 %	21.4 %
Labor	677,039		679,306		614,049	10.3 %	10.6 %
Other services costs (3)	124,193		124,767		119,646	3.8 %	4.3 %
Total warehouse segment cost of operations	1,028,981		1,032,999		929,626	10.7 %	11.1 %
Warehouse segment contribution (NOI)	\$ 520,333	\$	521,883	\$	447,591	16.3 %	16.6 %
Warehouse rent and storage contribution (NOI) (4)	\$ 438,401	\$	440,228	\$	386,578	13.4 %	13.9 %
Warehouse services contribution (NOI) (5)	\$ 81,932	\$	81,655	\$	61,013	34.3 %	33.8 %
Total warehouse segment margin	33.6 %	ó	33.6 %	)	32.5 %	109 bps	106 bps
Rent and storage margin <sup>(6)</sup>	65.8 %	ó	65.8 %	)	66.4 %	-55 bps	-58 bps
Warehouse services margin <sup>(7)</sup>	9.3 %	ó	9.2 %	)	7.7 %	160 bps	154 bps

- (1) The adjustments from our U.S. GAAP operating results to calculate our operating results on a constant currency basis are the effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates relative to the comparable prior period.
- (2) Includes real estate rent expense of \$12.9 million and \$12.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.
- (3) Includes non-real estate rent expense (equipment lease and rentals) of \$9.4 million and \$12.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.
- (4) Calculated as rent and storage revenue less power and other facilities costs.
- (5) Calculated as warehouse services revenue less labor and other services costs.
- (6) Calculated as warehouse rent and storage contribution (NOI) divided by warehouse rent and storage revenue.
- (7) Calculated as warehouse services contribution (NOI) divided by warehouse services revenue.

Warehouse segment revenue was \$1.55 billion for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$172.1 million, or 12.5%, compared to \$1.38 billion for the year ended December 31, 2019. On a constant currency basis, our warehouse segment revenue was \$1.55 billion for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$177.7 million, or 12.9%, compared to the prior year. Approximately \$158.7 million of the increase, on an actual basis, was primarily driven by acquisitions completed during 2019 and 2020, including the growth experienced period-over-period during overlapping periods of ownership. We acquired 23 warehouse facilities as a result of the Cloverleaf and Lanier acquisitions on May 1, 2019, two facilities in connection with the MHW acquisition on November 19, 2019 and one facility as a result of the PortFresh acquisition on February 1, 2019, and therefore did not have ownership of these facilities during the entirety of the comparable prior period. In 2020, we acquired 62 facilities in the warehouse segment in the Agro, AM-C, Caspers, Halls, Newport and Nova Cold acquisitions. Agro's revenue is not reflected in the operating results of our warehouse segment as the

acquisition closed on December 30, 2020 with only one day of results for the year ended December 31, 2020. We consider the results to be immaterial and have excluded it for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Throughout 2020, revenue growth has been driven by the impact of acquisitions. Additionally, we experienced higher than seasonal grocery demand within the retail sector due to the COVID-19 pandemic. However, this was mostly offset by decreased consumption in the food services sector due to stay-at-home orders and continued social distancing which resulted in lower services revenue due to the shift in demand. Later in the second quarter of 2020, the food service sector volumes began to increase as re-opening plans were implemented but still significantly lower than the prior comparable period. The increase was also partially due to higher economic occupancy in our same-store pool from higher commodity holdings and a slowdown in food service activity and exports, coupled with an increase in fixed committed contracts. The remaining increase was primarily due to a more favorable customer mix, improvements in our commercial terms and contractual rate escalations, the incremental revenue from our expansion of the Rochelle, Illinois facility and the opening of the development in Savannah. The foreign currency translation of revenue received by our foreign operations had a \$5.6 million unfavorable impact during the year ended December 31, 2020, which was mainly driven by the strengthening of the U.S. dollar over the Australian dollar and to a lesser extent the strengthening of the U.S. dollar over the Argentine peso.

Warehouse segment cost of operations was \$1.03 billion for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$99.4 million, or 10.7%, compared to \$929.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. On a constant currency basis, our warehouse segment cost of operations was \$1.03 billion for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$103.4 million, or 11.1%, compared to the prior year. Approximately \$97.8 million of the increase, on an actual basis, was primarily driven by the additional facilities we acquired in connection with the aforementioned acquisitions. In addition, we incurred increases in our cost of operations in response to COVID-19. We undertook initiatives to ensure the health and safety of our associates, incurring higher costs for items such as labor, due to social distancing requirements, cleaning and sanitation supplies, and other personal protective equipment ("PPE"). These incremental COVID-19 expenses include higher sanitation costs of \$3.2 million and higher PPE costs of \$0.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2020. Additionally, we experienced higher property taxes and property insurance expense during 2020, due primarily to our growing portfolio. During the second quarter of 2020, we also paid a front-line appreciation bonus to our associates in recognition of their dedication and efforts during the COVID-19 pandemic, which totaled \$4.3 million. The foreign currency translation of expenses incurred by our foreign operations had a \$4.0 million favorable impact during the year ended December 31, 2020.

Warehouse segment contribution (NOI) was \$520.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$72.7 million, or 16.3%, compared to \$447.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. On a constant currency basis, warehouse segment contribution was \$521.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$74.3 million, or 16.6%, compared to the prior year. The foreign currency translation of our results of operations had a \$1.6 million unfavorable impact to the warehouse segment contribution period-over-period. The increase was primarily driven by the additional facilities in the warehouse segment as a result of the aforementioned acquisitions, including the growth and synergies experienced period-over-period during overlapping periods of ownership. The remainder of the increase was driven by improvements in our core business, same store economic occupancy growth, and disciplined cost controls through the Americold Operating System of our power and other services costs, which allowed us to generate higher contribution margins. The increases were partially offset by the currency translation impact of the strengthening of the U.S. dollar, the appreciation bonus paid to front-line associates to recognize the efforts of our associates during the COVID-19 pandemic, increases in the cost of property taxes and property insurance, as well as the increase in costs related to the COVID-19 response efforts to maintain the health and safety of our associates.

# Same Store Analysis

We had 135 same stores for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019. The following table presents revenues, cost of operations, contribution (NOI) and margins for our same stores and non-same stores with a reconciliation to the total financial metrics of our warehouse segment for the years ended December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019. Amounts related to the AM-C, Cloverleaf, Caspers, Hall's, Lanier, MHW, Newport and Nova Cold acquisitions are reflected within non-same store results. The operational results from one day of ownership from the Agro acquisition is not material for the year ended December 31, 2020.

The following table presents revenues, cost of operations, contribution (NOI) and margins for our same stores and non-same stores with a reconciliation to the total financial metrics of our warehouse segment for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

	Year e	nded December	31,		Cha	ge	
2020 actual				2019 actual	Actual	Constant currency	
135				135	n/a	n/a	
	(Doll	ars in thousand	s)				
\$ 507,848	\$	510,614	\$	494,273	2.7 %	3.3 %	
668,717		671,079		660,843	1.2 %	1.5 %	
1,176,565		1,181,693		1,155,116	1.9 %	2.3 %	
64,088		64,576		66,648	(3.8)%	(3.1) %	
104,537		105,122		95,772	9.2 %	9.8 %	
521,880		524,044		518,652	0.6 %	1.0 %	
84,773		85,308		92,835	(8.7)%	(8.1) %	
\$ 775,278	\$	779,050	\$	773,907	0.2 %	0.7 %	
\$ 401,287	\$	402,643	\$	381,209	5.3 %	5.6 %	
\$ 339,223	\$	340,916	\$	331,853	2.2 %	2.7 %	
\$ 62,064	\$	61,727	\$	49,356	25.8 %	25.1 %	
34.1 %	)	34.1 %	)	33.0 %	110 bps	107 bps	
66.8 %	)	66.8 %		67.1 %	-34 bps	-37 bps	
9.3 %	)	9.2 %	)	7.5 %	181 bps	173 bps	
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20	)20 actual		20 constant rrency(1)		2019 actual	Actual	Constant currency
	94				32	n/a	n/a
		(Dollar	s in thousand	s)			
\$	158,302	\$	158,540	\$	88,236	79.4 %	79.7 %
	214,447		214,649		133,865	60.2 %	60.3 %
	372,749		373,189		222,101	67.8 %	68.0 %
	26,445		26,463		15,732	68.1 %	68.2 %
	32,679		32,765		17,779	83.8 %	84.3 %
	155,159		155,262	1	95,397	62.6 %	62.8 %
	39,420		39,459		26,811	47.0 %	47.2 %
\$	253,703	\$	253,949	\$	155,719	62.9 %	63.1 %
\$	119,046	\$	119,240	\$	66,382	79.3 %	79.6 %
\$	99,178	\$	99,312	\$	54,725	81.2 %	81.5 %
\$	19,868	\$	19,928	\$	11,657	70.4 %	71.0 %
	31.9 %		32.0 %	ı	29.9 %	205 bps	206 bps
	62.7 %		62.6 %		62.0 %	63 bps	62 bps
	9.3 %		9.3 %	ı	8.7 %	56 bps	58 bps
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<sup>(1)</sup> The adjustments from our U.S. GAAP operating results to calculate our operating results on a constant currency basis is the effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates relative to the comparable prior period.

<sup>(2)</sup> Calculated as rent and storage revenues less power and other facilities costs.

- (3) Calculated as warehouse services revenues less labor and other services costs.
- (4) Calculated as rent and storage contribution (NOI) divided by rent and storage revenue.
- (5) Calculated as warehouse services contribution (NOI) divided by warehouse services revenue.
- (6) Non-same store warehouse count of 94 includes 46 warehouses acquired through the Agro acquisition on December 30, 2020, eight warehouses acquired through the Hall's acquisition on November 2, 2020, three warehouses acquired through the Casper's and AM-C warehouse acquisitions on August 31, 2020, and five warehouses acquired through the Nova Cold and Newport acquisitions on January 2, 2020. The results of these acquisitions are reflected in the results above since date of ownership. The operational results from one day of ownership of the Agro warehouses is immaterial to the three months and year ended December 31, 2020.

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The following table provides certain operating metrics to explain the drivers of our same store performance.

		nber 31,			
Units in thousands except per pallet and site number data - unaudited		2020		2019	Change
Number of same store sites		135		135	n/a
Same store rent and storage:					
Economic occupancy(1)					
Average occupied economic pallets		2,440		2,405	1.5 %
Economic occupancy percentage		80.5 %	ó	79.4 %	110 bps
Same store rent and storage revenue per economic occupied pallet	\$	208.10	\$	205.53	1.3 %
Constant currency same store rent and storage revenue per economic occupied pallet	\$	209.23	\$	205.53	1.8 %
Physical occupancy <sup>(2)</sup>					
Average physical occupied pallets		2,204		2,282	(3.4)%
Average physical pallet positions		3,031		3,028	0.1 %
Physical occupancy percentage		72.7 %	ó	75.4 %	-265 bps
Same store rent and storage revenue per physical occupied pallet	\$	230.45	\$	216.62	6.4 %
Constant currency same store rent and storage revenue per physical occupied pallet	\$	231.70	\$	216.62	7.0 %
Same store warehouse services:					
Throughput pallets (in thousands)		25,133		25,842	(2.7)%
Same store warehouse services revenue per throughput pallet	\$	26.61	\$	25.57	4.1 %
Constant currency same store warehouse services revenue per throughput pallet	\$	26.70	\$	25.57	4.4 %
Number of non-same store sites <sup>(3)</sup>		94	1	32	n/a
Non-same store rent and storage:					
Economic occupancy(1)					
Average occupied economic pallets		793		460	72.2 %
Economic occupancy percentage		74.5 %	ó	79.9 %	-542 bps
Physical occupancy.(2)					
Average physical occupied pallets		762		446	70.8 %
Average physical pallet positions		1,065		576	84.8 %
Physical occupancy percentage		71.6 %	ó	77.5 %	-586 bps
Non-same store warehouse services:					
Throughput pallets (in thousands)		6,990		4,249	64.5 %

- (1) We define average economic occupancy as the aggregate number of physically occupied pallets and any additional pallets otherwise contractually committed for a given period, without duplication. We estimate the number of contractually committed pallet positions by taking into account actual pallet commitment specified in each customers' contract, and subtracting the physical pallet positions.
- (2) We define average physical occupancy as the average number of occupied pallets divided by the estimated number of average physical pallet positions in our warehouses for the applicable period. We estimate the number of physical pallet positions by taking into account actual racked space and by estimating unracked space on an as-if racked basis. We base this estimate on a formula utilizing the total cubic feet of each room within the warehouse that is unracked divided by the volume of an assumed rack space that is

- consistent with the characteristics of the relevant warehouse. On a warehouse by warehouse basis, rack space generally ranges from three to four feet depending upon the type of facility and the nature of the customer goods stored therein. The number of our pallet positions is reviewed and updated quarterly, taking into account changes in racking configurations and room utilization.
- (3) Non-same store warehouse count of 94 includes 46 warehouses acquired through the Agro acquisition on December 30, 2020, eight warehouses acquired through the Hall's acquisition on November 2, 2020, three warehouses acquired through the Casper's and AM-C warehouse acquisitions on August 31, 2020, and five warehouses acquired through the Nova Cold and Newport acquisitions on January 2, 2020. The results of these acquisitions are reflected in the results above since date of ownership. The operational results from one day of ownership of the Agro warehouses is immaterial to the three months and year ended December 31, 2020.

Economic occupancy at our same stores was 80.5% for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of 110 basis points compared to 79.4% for the year ended December 31, 2019. This change was primarily the result of an increase in fixed storage contracts. Our economic occupancy at our same stores for the year ended December 31, 2020 was 781 basis points higher than our corresponding average physical occupancy of 72.7%. The decrease of 265 basis points in average physical occupancy compared to 75.4% for the year ended December 31, 2019 was partially driven by lower protein occupancy and lower food service business occupancy due to "stay-at-home" orders as well as port congestion as a result of COVID-19, which generated lower throughput of inventory within our warehouses. This was partially offset by the increase in physical occupancy related to the retail products as a result of higher grocery demand related to COVID-19.

Same store rent and storage revenues per economic occupied pallet increased 1.3% period-over-period, primarily driven by improvements in our commercial terms and contractual rate escalations. On a constant currency basis, our same store rent and storage revenues per occupied pallet increased 1.8% period-over-period.

Throughput pallets at our same stores were 25.1 million pallets for the year ended December 31, 2020, a decrease of 2.7% from 25.8 million pallets for the year ended December 31, 2019. This decrease was the result of the COVID related impacts in various sectors and commodities, including the initial surge and ongoing elevated demand from our grocery retail sector, offset by the decrease in throughput in the food service sector and protein commodity. Same store warehouse services revenue per throughput pallet increased 4.1% compared to the prior year primarily as a result of contractual rate escalations, favorable business mix and an increase in higher-priced, value-added warehouse services such as repackaging, blast freezing, and case-picking, partially offset by unfavorable foreign currency translation as previously discussed. On a constant currency basis, our same store services revenue per throughput pallet increased 4.4% compared to the prior year.

# Third-Party Managed Segment

The following table presents the operating results of our third-party managed segment for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

			Year ended December 31,				Change		
		2020 actual		2020 constant currency(1)		2019 actual	Actual	Constant currency	
Number of managed sites	_	9				11			
			(Dol	lars in thousand	s)				
Third-party managed revenue	\$	291,751	\$	292,019	\$	252,939	15.3 %	15.5 %	
Third-party managed cost of operations		279,523		279,809		241,178	15.9 %	16.0 %	
Third-party managed segment contribution	\$	12,228	\$	12,210	\$	11,761	4.0 %	3.8 %	
Third-party managed margin		4.2 %	o	4.2 %	)	4.6 %	-46 bps	-47 bps	

(1) The adjustments from our U.S. GAAP operating results to calculate our operating results on a constant currency basis are the effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates relative to the comparable prior period.

Third-party managed revenue was \$291.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$38.8 million, or 15.3%, compared to \$252.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. On a constant currency basis, third-party managed revenue was \$292.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$39.1 million, or 15.5%, compared to the prior year. This increase was a result of higher business volume in our domestic and Australia managed operations due to the consumer demand shift to retail. This increase was partially offset by the unfavorable impact of foreign currency translation related to our Canadian and Australian managed revenues, and the impacts from the exit of two Canadian managed facilities during 2020 and the exit of one domestic managed facility during the third quarter of 2019.

Third-party managed cost of operations was \$279.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$38.3 million, or 15.9%, compared to \$241.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. On a constant currency basis, third-party managed cost of operations was \$279.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$38.6 million, or 16.0%, compared to the prior year. The increase was a result of higher business volume and is in line with the increase in revenues, partially offset by the exit of the facilities described above.

Third-party managed segment contribution (NOI) was \$12.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$0.5 million, or 4.0%, compared to \$11.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. On a constant currency basis, third-party managed segment contribution (NOI) was \$12.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$0.4 million, or 3.8%, compared to the prior year. The increase in segment contribution was a result of the factors mentioned above.

# Transportation Segment

The following table presents the operating results of our transportation segment for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

		,	Year e	nded December	31,		Cha	ange
	:	2020 actual	_	2020 constant currency(1)		2019 actual	Actual	Constant currency
			(Doll	lars in thousand	s)			
Transportation revenue	\$	142,203	\$	143,742	\$	144,844	(1.8)%	(0.8) %
Brokered transportation		102,230		103,575		104,393	(2.1)%	(0.8) %
Other cost of operations		21,166		21,194		22,384	(5.4)%	(5.3) %
Total transportation cost of operations		123,396		124,769		126,777	(2.7)%	(1.6) %
Transportation segment contribution (NOI)	\$	18,807	\$	18,973	\$	18,067	4.1 %	5.0 %
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Transportation margin		13.2 %	Ó	13.2 %	Ď	12.5 %	75 bps	73 bps

(1) The adjustments from our U.S. GAAP operating results to calculate our operating results on a constant currency basis are the effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates relative to the comparable prior period.

Our transportation segment continued its strategic shift to focus on more profitable solutions, which create value for our customers while driving and supporting our warehouse business including consolidation offerings. Transportation revenue was \$142.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, a decrease of \$2.6 million, or 1.8%, compared to \$144.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. On a constant currency basis, transportation revenue was \$143.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, a decrease of \$1.1

million, or 0.8%, compared to the prior year. The decrease was primarily driven by the exit of certain low-margin international and domestic transportation business, paired with the unfavorable impact from the foreign currency translation of revenues earned by our foreign operations. Domestically, our transportation operations experienced an increase due to the revenue associated with transportation operations from the Hall's acquisition, which closed on November 2, 2020, and resulted in an increase of \$4.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2020. Additionally, revenue increased from the Cloverleaf Acquisition, which contributed an increase of \$2.0 million due to 12 months of results during the year ended December 31, 2020 as compared to eight months of ownership during the year ended December 31, 2019.

Transportation cost of operations was \$123.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, a decrease of \$3.4 million, or 2.7%, compared to \$126.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. On a constant currency basis, transportation cost of operations was \$124.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, a decrease of \$2.0 million, or 1.6%, compared to the prior year. Domestically, our transportation cost of operations experienced an increase due to the cost associated with transportation operations from the Hall's acquisition, which closed on November 2, 2020, and resulted in an increase of \$3.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2020. Additionally, cost of operations increased from the Cloverleaf Acquisition, which contributed an increase of \$1.2 million due to 12 months of results during the year ended December 31, 2020 as compared to eight months of ownership during the year ended December 31, 2019. Excluding the increases in transportation cost of operations resulting from the aforementioned acquisitions, the strategic shift referenced above, paired with the impact of the foreign currency translation of our international costs, led to a decline in transportation cost of operations for the segment.

Transportation segment contribution (NOI) was \$18.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$0.7 million, or 4.1%, compared to \$18.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. Transportation segment margin increased 75 basis points from the prior year, to 13.2% from 12.5%. On a constant currency basis, transportation segment contribution was \$19.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$0.9 million, or 5.0%, compared to the prior year. The overall increase in margin was primarily due to the strategic shift referenced above, which resulted in more profitable business.

# **Quarry Segment**

The following table presents the operating results of our quarry segment for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019. We sold our quarry business on July 1, 2020.

	Ye	ear ended	Decembe	er 31,	
	202	20		2019	Change
		(Dollars in	thousan	ids)	
Quarry revenue	\$	4,459	\$	8,705	(48.8)%
Quarry cost of operations		4,329		7,867	(45.0)%
Quarry segment contribution (NOI)	\$	130	\$	838	(84.5)%
Quarry margin		2.9 %		9.6 %	670 bps

Quarry revenue was \$4.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, a decrease of \$4.2 million, or 48.8%, compared to \$8.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. Quarry cost of operations was \$4.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, a decrease of \$3.5 million, or 45.0%, compared to \$7.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. The decrease in both revenues and cost of operations was a result of the sale of the limestone quarry which closed on July 1, 2020.

Quarry segment contribution (NOI) was \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, as compared to \$0.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2019, due to the sale of the quarry segment.

# Other Consolidated Operating Expenses

Depreciation and amortization. Depreciation and amortization expense was \$215.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$52.5 million, or 32.2%, compared to \$163.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. This increase was primarily due to the 2019 and 2020 acquisitions, expansions and developments.

Selling, general and administrative. Corporate-level selling, general and administrative expenses were \$144.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$15.4 million, or 11.9%, compared to \$129.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. Included in these amounts are business development expenses attributable to new business pursuits, supply chain solutions and underwriting, facility development, customer onboarding, and engineering and consulting services to support our customers in the cold chain. Business development expenses represented approximately 13% and 14% of corporate-level selling, general and administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. We believe these costs are comparable to leasing costs for other publicly-traded REITs. The increase in corporate-level selling, general and administrative expenses compared to the prior year was primarily due to higher share-based compensation and higher payroll and benefits related to additional investments to support our expanded development pipeline and higher professional fees. This was offset by a reduction in travel expense due to stay-at-home orders and travel restrictions as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, paired with net synergies realized from acquisitions. For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, corporate-level selling, general and administrative expenses were 7.3% and 7.2%, respectively, of total revenues.

Acquisition, litigation and other. Corporate-level acquisition, litigation and other expenses were \$36.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, a decrease of \$4.3 million compared to \$40.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. Included in these amounts are business acquisition related costs, litigation costs associated with litigation charges outside of the normal course of business or resulting from a settlement, severance and equity acceleration costs incurred in connection with former executives, severance as a result of synergies realized from acquisitions or operational realignment, non-offering related equity issuance expenses, and terminated site operations costs. We view all of these costs as corporate in nature regardless of the segment or segments involved in certain transactions. During the year ended December 31, 2020, we incurred \$26.5 million of acquisition related expenses primarily composed of professional fees and integration related costs in connection with completed and potential acquisitions, primarily related to the recently completed Agro Merchants Acquisition, and employee retention. Additionally, we incurred \$1.1 million of severance primarily related to reduction in headcount as a result of the synergies from acquisitions, and partially related to the realignment of our international operations. During the fourth quarter of 2020 we were subject to a cybersecurity incident and incurred \$7.9 million of costs related to it. The cyber incident costs include third-party fees incurred in connection with the cyber incident that occurred in November 2020, as well as any incremental costs, internal and external, incurred to restore operations at our facilities. During the year ended December 31, 2019, we incurred \$24.3 million of acquisition related expenses primarily composed of professional fees and integration related costs in connection with completed and potential acquisitions, primarily related to the Cloverleaf Acquisition, and employee retention. In addition, we incurred \$4.3 million of severance and equity acceleration expenses related to exited former executives and the resignation of a member of the Board of Trustees and \$5.4 million of severance related to reduction in headcount as a result of the synergies created from the Cloverleaf and Lanier acquisitions and organizational realignment of our international operations. We also incurred \$4.6 million of legal settlement and related litigation professional fees and \$1.4 million of costs in connection with the secondary offering of

common shares on behalf of our previously significant shareholders in March 2019, for which we received no proceeds.

Impairment of long-lived assets. For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, we recorded impairment charges of \$8.2 million and \$13.5 million, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2020, we recorded impairment charges of \$3.7 million for Quarry segment assets related to the sale of our quarry business, \$2.1 million for Third-party managed segment assets within the leased facilities that we exited which could not be repurposed, \$1.7 million for Warehouse segment assets related to a potential development project which we are no longer moving forward with and \$0.5 million for Warehouse segment assets which were deemed unusable subsequent to the sale of our Boston facility. During the first quarter of 2019, management and our Board of Trustees formally approved the "Atlanta Major Market Strategy" plan which included the partial redevelopment of an existing warehouse facility. The partial redevelopment required the demolition of 75% of the current warehouse. As a result of this initiative, we recorded an impairment charge of \$9.6 million during the first quarter of 2019. Additionally, during the first quarter of 2019, we recorded an impairment charge of \$2.9 million related to a domestic idle warehouse facility in anticipation of sale of the asset, which was completed during the second quarter of 2019. Each of these impaired assets previously mentioned related to the Warehouse segment. In addition, during the second quarter of 2019, management determined that certain international transportation related assets were going to be idled and we recorded an impairment charge of \$0.9 million as a result. These impaired assets related to the transportation segment.

Gain from sale of real estate. For the year ended December 31, 2020, we recorded a \$22.1 million gain from the sale of real estate. On June 19, 2020, we completed the sale of a facility in our Warehouse segment, and began to transition the business to other nearby facilities, resulting in a \$20.1 million gain from sale of real estate. On January 31, 2020, we received official notice from a customer to exercise its contractual call option to purchase land from us in Sydney, Australia, which we previously purchased for future development. We received sale proceeds upon exercise of the call option during the first quarter of 2020, resulting in a \$2.5 million gain on sale.

### Other Expense

The following table presents other items of income and expense for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

	Year ended Decer	Change	
	 2020	2019	%
Other (expense) income:	(Dollars in thou	sands)	_
Interest expense	\$ (91,481) \$	(94,408)	(3.1)%
Interest income	1,162	6,286	(81.5)%
Bridge loan commitment fees	(2,438)	(2,665)	(8.5)%
Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and termination of derivative instruments	(9,975)	_	(100.0)%
Foreign currency exchange (loss) gain, net	(45,278)	10	n/r
Other expense - net	(2,563)	(1,870)	37.1 %
Loss from partially owned entities	(250)	(111)	125.2 %
Gain from sale of partially owned entities	_	4,297	(100.0)%

n/r= not relevant

*Interest expense*. Interest expense was \$91.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, a decrease of \$2.9 million, or 3.1%, compared to \$94.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. The decrease was primarily due to the decrease in interest expense on the unhedged portion of our Senior Unsecured Term Loan A

Facility due to the decrease in the LIBOR rate. This was offset by the increase in the Senior Unsecured Term Loan A which was expanded to fund the Nova Cold acquisition and the private placement of \$350.0 million aggregate principal amount of Series C Senior Unsecured Notes on May 7, 2019, which were used to fund a portion of the Cloverleaf and Lanier acquisitions. While our average outstanding principal has increased from the comparable prior period, on average, the effective interest rate of our outstanding debt has decreased from 4.79% for the year ended December 31, 2019 to 3.94% for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Interest income. Interest income of \$1.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 decreased \$5.1 million when compared to \$6.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. This change was primarily driven by a lower interest rate of 0.51% earned during the year ended December 31, 2020 as compared to 2.3% during the year ended December 31, 2019, as well as a lower average cash balance as compared to the prior year.

*Bridge loan commitment fees.* Corporate-level bridge loan commitment fees were \$2.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2020. In 2020 and 2019, we obtained a bridge loan to support the Agro and Cloverleaf acquisitions, respectively. The bridge loan facility for Agro and Cloverleaf ultimately did not need to be funded, and accordingly, we expensed the lender commitment and loan fee.

Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and termination of derivative instruments. During the first quarter of 2020 we refinanced our Senior Unsecured Credit Facility, which resulted in the write-off of certain unamortized deferred financing costs of \$0.8 million. During the fourth quarter of 2020, we closed on a debt private placement of €750 million senior unsecured notes. In connection with this issuance, we repaid \$100.0 million of our outstanding Senior Unsecured Term Loan A-1 facility, resulting in a write-off of \$1.5 million of unamortized deferred financing costs. In connection with the partial repayment of this debt we also terminated the related interest rate swaps, resulting in the recognition of a portion of the remaining unamortized balance in accumulated other comprehensive loss on the previously designated hedges for \$7.7 million. The unamortized balance of \$8.7 million will be recognized through 2024. No such costs were incurred during the year ended December 31, 2019.

Foreign currency exchange (loss) gain, net. We reported a foreign currency exchange loss of \$45.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to a nominal gain for the year ended December 31, 2019. During the fourth quarter of 2020, the Company entered into an undesignated foreign currency forward contract to lock in the conversion of the expected proceeds of the €750 million denominated debt issuance to USD, which settled on December 30, 2020, and resulted in \$45.0 million in foreign currency exchange loss when compared to the USD equivalent of the Euro denominated debt at market rates, on the date of issuance.

Other expense - net. Other expense, net was \$2.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$1.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. The increase of \$0.7 million was primarily driven by the loss on asset disposal that was offset by a decrease in pension non-service costs.

Loss from partially owned entities. We reported a loss of \$0.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to a loss of \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. During the year ended December 31, 2020, we entered into the Brazil JV for which we recorded our portion of loss generated by SuperFrio. During the year ended December 31, 2019, the loss related to the China JV, which we exited during the third quarter of 2019.

Gain from sale of partially owned entities. During the year ended December 31, 2019, we sold our interest in the China JV which resulted in the \$4.3 million gain.

# Income Tax Benefit (Expense)

Income tax benefit for the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$6.9 million, which represented an increase of \$1.7 million, from an	
income tax benefit of \$5.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. This increase was primarily due to recognition by our U.S. TRS or	f
a deferred income tax benefit to reduce its valuation allowance by \$2.0 million. The reduction in the valuation allowance is primarily	
attributable to net deferred tax liabilities acquired that are a positive source of income for valuation allowance assessment purposes. This	
deferred income tax benefit was offset by an increase in income tax expense of \$0.3 million primarily attributable to our foreign operations.	

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

We use the following non-GAAP financial measures as supplemental performance measures of our business: FFO, Core FFO, Adjusted FFO, EBITDAre and Core EBITDA.

We calculate funds from operations, or FFO, in accordance with the standards established by the Board of Governors of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, or NAREIT. NAREIT defines FFO as net income or loss determined in accordance with U.S. GAAP, excluding extraordinary items as defined under U.S. GAAP and gains or losses from sales of previously depreciated operating real estate assets, plus specified non-cash items, such as real estate asset depreciation and amortization, real estate asset impairment and our share of reconciling items for partially owned entities. We believe that FFO is helpful to investors as a supplemental performance measure because it excludes the effect of depreciation, amortization and gains or losses from sales of real estate, all of which are based on historical costs, which implicitly assumes that the value of real estate diminishes predictably over time. Since real estate values instead have historically risen or fallen with market conditions, FFO can facilitate comparisons of operating performance between periods and among other equity REITs.

We calculate core funds from operations, or Core FFO, as FFO adjusted for the effects of gain or loss on the sale of non-real estate assets, non-real estate impairment, acquisition, litigation and other, share-based compensation expense for the IPO retention grants, bridge loan commitment fees, loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and termination of derivative instruments, foreign currency exchange loss and gain from sale of partially owned entities. We also adjust for the impact of Core FFO attributable to partially owned entities. We have elected to reflect our share of Core FFO attributable to partially owned entities since the Brazil JV is a strategic partnership which we continue to actively participate in on an ongoing basis. The previous joint venture, the China JV, was considered for disposition during the periods presented. We believe that Core FFO is helpful to investors as a supplemental performance measure because it excludes the effects of certain items which can create significant earnings volatility, but which do not directly relate to our core business operations. We believe Core FFO can facilitate comparisons of operating performance between periods, while also providing a more meaningful predictor of future earnings potential.

However, because FFO and Core FFO add back real estate depreciation and amortization and do not capture the level of maintenance capital expenditures necessary to maintain the operating performance of our properties, both of which have material economic impacts on our results from operations, we believe the utility of FFO and Core FFO as a measure of our performance may be limited.

We calculate adjusted funds from operations, or Adjusted FFO, as Core FFO adjusted for the effects of amortization of deferred financing costs, pension withdrawal liability and above or below market leases, straight-line net rent, provision or benefit from deferred income taxes, share-based compensation expense from grants of stock options and restricted stock units under our equity incentive plans, excluding IPO grants, non-real estate depreciation and amortization, and maintenance capital expenditures. We also adjust for AFFO attributable to our share of reconciling items of partially owned entities. We believe that Adjusted FFO is helpful to investors as a meaningful supplemental comparative performance measure of our ability to make incremental capital investments in our business and to assess our ability to fund distribution requirements from our operating activities.

FFO, Core FFO and Adjusted FFO are used by management, investors and industry analysts as supplemental measures of operating performance of equity REITs. FFO, Core FFO and Adjusted FFO should be evaluated along with U.S. GAAP net income and net income per diluted share (the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP measures) in evaluating our operating performance. FFO, Core FFO and Adjusted FFO do not represent net income or cash flows from operating activities in accordance with U.S. GAAP and are not indicative of our results of operations or cash flows from operating activities as disclosed in our consolidated statements of operations included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. FFO, Core FFO and Adjusted FFO should be considered as supplements, but not alternatives, to our net income or cash flows from operating activities as indicators of our operating performance. Moreover, other REITs may not calculate FFO in accordance with the NAREIT definition or may interpret the NAREIT definition differently than we do. Accordingly, our FFO may not be comparable to FFO as calculated by other REITs. In addition, there is no industry definition of Core FFO or Adjusted FFO and, as a result, other REITs may also calculate Core FFO or Adjusted FFO, or other similarly-captioned metrics, in a manner different than we do. The table below reconciles FFO, Core FFO and Adjusted FFO to net income, which is the most directly comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

# Reconciliation of Net Income to NAREIT FFO, Core FFO, and Adjusted FFO

(in thousands)

	Year Ended December 31					1,		
	-	2020		2019		2018		
Net income	\$	24,555	\$	48,162	\$	47,985		
Adjustments:								
Real estate related depreciation		146,417		114,976		88,246		
Net (gain) loss on sale of real estate, net of withholding taxes (a)		(21,759)		34		(7,471)		
Net loss (gain) on asset disposals		2,045		382		(65)		
Impairment charges on real estate assets		5,630		12,555		747		
Real estate depreciation on partially owned entities		_		790		1,202		
Our share of reconciling items related to partially owned entities		449		_		_		
NAREIT Funds from operations		157,337		176,899		130,644		
Less distributions on preferred shares of beneficial interest						(1,817)		
NAREIT Funds from operations applicable to common shareholders	\$	157,337	\$	176,899	\$	128,827		
Adjustments:	· ·					, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
Net loss (gain) on sale of non-real estate assets		595		488		(739)		
Non-real estate asset impairment		2,606		930				
Acquisition, litigation, and other excluding 2018 RSU modification expenses		36,306		40,614		1,893		
Share-based compensation expense, IPO grants		972		2,432		4,208		
Bridge loan commitment fees		2,438		2,665				
Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and termination of derivative instruments		9,975		_		47,559		
Foreign currency exchange loss (gain)		45,278		(10)		(2,882)		
Excise tax settlement		_		_		(128)		
Alternative Minimum Tax receivable from Tax Cuts & Jobs Act		_		_		(3,745)		
Gain from sale of partially owned entities		_		(4,297)		_		
Our share of reconciling items related to partially owned entities		194		_		_		
Core FFO applicable to common shareholders		255,701		219,721		174,993		
Adjustments:	-	· ·		· · ·				
Amortization of deferred financing costs and pension withdrawal liability		5,147		6,028		6,176		
Amortization of below/above market leases		152		151		151		
Straight-line net rent		(628)		(521)		(179)		
Deferred income taxes benefit		(13,732)		(10,701)		(3,152)		
Share-based compensation expense, excluding IPO grants		16,939		10,463		6,474		
Non-real estate depreciation and amortization		69,474		48,372		29,407		
Non-real estate depreciation and amortization on partially owned entities		_		317		538		
Maintenance capital expenditures (b)		(65,547)		(59,300)		(43,975)		
Our share of reconciling items related to partially owned entities		371		_		_		
Adjusted FFO applicable to common shareholders	\$	267,877	\$	214,530	\$	170,433		

<sup>(</sup>a) (Gain) loss on sale of real estate, net of withholding tax include withholding tax on the sale of Sydney land which is included in income tax expense on the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

<sup>(</sup>b) Maintenance capital expenditures include capital expenditures made to extend the life of, and provide future economic benefit from, our existing temperature-controlled warehouse network and its existing supporting personal property and information technology.

We calculate EBITDA for Real Estate, or EBITDAre, in accordance with the standards established by the Board of Governors of NAREIT, defined as, earnings before interest expense, taxes, depreciation and amortization, gains or losses on disposition of depreciated property, including gains or losses on change of control, impairment write-downs of depreciated property and of investments in unconsolidated affiliates caused by a decrease in value of depreciated property in the affiliate, and adjustment to reflect share of EBITDAre of unconsolidated affiliates. EBITDAre is a measure commonly used in our industry, and we present EBITDAre to enhance investor understanding of our operating performance. We believe that EBITDAre provides investors and analysts with a measure of operating results unaffected by differences in capital structures, capital investment cycles and useful life of related assets among otherwise comparable companies.

We also calculate our Core EBITDA as EBITDAre further adjusted for acquisition, litigation and other expenses, bridge loan commitment fees, impairment of long-lived assets, loss on debt extinguishment and modification, share-based compensation expense, foreign currency exchange gain or loss, loss or gain on other asset disposals, loss or income on partially owned entities and reduction in EBITDAre from partially owned entities. We believe that the presentation of Core EBITDA provides a measurement of our operations that is meaningful to investors because it excludes the effects of certain items that are otherwise included in EBITDAre but which we do not believe are indicative of our core business operations. EBITDAre and Core EBITDA are not measurements of financial performance under U.S. GAAP, and our EBITDAre and Core EBITDA may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. You should not consider our EBITDAre and Core EBITDA as alternatives to net income or cash flows from operating activities determined in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Our calculations of EBITDAre and Core EBITDA have limitations as analytical tools, including:

- these measures do not reflect our historical or future cash requirements for maintenance capital expenditures or growth and expansion capital expenditures;
- these measures do not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, our working capital needs;
- these measures do not reflect the interest expense, or the cash requirements necessary to service interest or principal payments, on our indebtedness;
- these measures do not reflect our tax expense or the cash requirements to pay our taxes; and
- although depreciation and amortization are non-cash charges, the assets being depreciated will often have to be replaced in the future and these
  measures do not reflect any cash requirements for such replacements.

We use EBITDAre and Core EBITDA as measures of our operating performance and not as measures of liquidity. The table below reconciles EBITDAre and Core EBITDA to net income, which is the most directly comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

# Reconciliation of Net Income to NAREIT EBITDAre and Core EBITDA

(In thousands)

	Y	ear E	nded December 3	1,	
	 2020		2019		2018
Net income	\$ 24,555	\$	48,162	\$	47,985
Adjustments:					
Depreciation and amortization	215,891		163,348		117,653
Interest expense	91,481		94,408		93,312
Income tax benefit	(7,292)		(5,157)		(3,619)
EBITDA	 324,635		300,761		255,331
Adjustments:					
Net (gain) loss on sale of real estate, net of withholding taxes	(21,759)		34		
Adjustment to reflect share of EBITDAre of partially owned entities	1,022		1,726		_
NAREIT EBITDAre	\$ 303,898	\$	302,521	\$	255,331
Adjustments:	 				
Acquisition, litigation, and other excluding 2018 RSU modification expenses	36,306		40,614		1,893
Bridge loan commitment fees	2,438		2,665		_
Loss from investments in partially owned entities	250		111		1,069
Impairment of long-lived assets	8,236		13,485		747
Foreign currency exchange loss (gain)	45,278		(10)		(2,882)
Share-based compensation expense	17,911		12,895		10,683
Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and termination of derivative instruments	9,975		_		47,559
Net loss (gain) on sale of non-real estate assets	2,640		870		(7,623)
Gain from sale of partially owned entities	_		(4,297)		_
Reduction in EBITDAre from partially owned entities	(1,022)		(1,726)		_
Core EBITDA	\$ 425,910	\$	367,128	\$	306,777

	As of December 31,	
2020	2019	2018
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<sup>(1)</sup> Net debt to Core EBITDA represents (i) our gross debt (defined as total debt plus discount and deferred financing costs) less cash and cash equivalents divided by (ii) Core EBITDA. Core EBITDA for 2020 and 2019 for purposes of this calculation assumes ownership of our acquisitions for the full twelve months of the year. Our management believes that this ratio is useful because it provides investors with information regarding gross debt less cash and cash equivalents, which could be used to repay debt, compared to our performance as measured using Core EBITDA.

The following table reconciles net debt to total debt, which is the most directly comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP:

	 As of December 31,		
	 2020		2019
	(In thousands)		
Total debt	\$ 2,959,252	\$	1,869,376
Deferred financing costs	15,952		12,996
Gross debt	2,975,204		1,882,372
Adjustments:			
Less: cash and cash equivalents	609,537		234,303
Net debt	\$ 2,365,667	\$	1,648,069

# **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

In March 2020, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) adopted amendments to Rule 3-10 of Regulation S-X and created Rule 13-01 to simplify disclosure requirements related to certain registered securities. The rule is effective January 4, 2021 but earlier compliance is permitted. The Company and the Operating Partnership have filed a registration statement on Form S-3 with the SEC registering, among other securities, debt securities of the Operating Partnership, which will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the Company. As a result of the amendments to Rule 3-10 of Regulation S-X, subsidiary issuers of obligations guaranteed by the parent are not required to provide separate financial statements, provided that the subsidiary obligor is consolidated into the parent company's consolidated financial statements, the parent guarantee is "full and unconditional" and, subject to certain exceptions as set forth below, the alternative disclosure required by Rule 13-01 is provided, which includes narrative disclosure and summarized financial information. Accordingly, separate consolidated financial statements of the Operating Partnership have not been presented. Furthermore, as permitted under Rule 13-01(a)(4)(vi), the Company has excluded the summarized financial information for the Operating Partnership as the assets, liabilities and results of operations of the Company and the Operating Partnership are not materially different than the corresponding amounts presented in the consolidated financial statements of the Company, and management believes such summarized financial information would be repetitive and not provide incremental value to investors.

We currently expect that our principal sources of funding for working capital, facility acquisitions, business combinations, expansions, maintenance and renovation of our properties, developments projects, debt service and distributions to our shareholders will include:

- current cash balances;
- cash flows from operations;
- our outstanding equity forward sale agreements;
- our 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility;
- · our ATM Equity Program and related forward sale agreements; and
- other forms of debt financings and equity offerings.

We expect that our funding sources as noted above are adequate and will continue to be adequate to meet our short-term liquidity requirements and capital commitments. These liquidity requirements and capital commitments include:

- operating activities and overall working capital;
- capital expenditures;
- debt service obligations; and
- quarterly shareholder distributions.

We expect to utilize the same sources of capital we will rely on to meet our short-term liquidity requirements to also meet our long-term liquidity requirements, which include funding our operating activities, our debt service obligations and shareholder distributions, and our future development and acquisition activities. As previously discussed, the COVID-19 pandemic has created disruption among several industries. The outbreak of COVID-19 has significantly adversely impacted global economic activity and has contributed to significant volatility and negative pressure in financial markets. While we did not incur significant disruption during the year ended December 31, 2020 from the COVID-19 pandemic, we are unable to predict the impact that the pandemic may have on the sources of capital upon which we rely.

We are a well-known seasoned issuer with an effective shelf registration statement filed on April 16, 2020, which registered an indeterminate amount of common shares, preferred shares, depositary shares and warrants, as well as debt securities of the Operating Partnership, which will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed by us. As circumstances warrant, we may issue equity securities from time to time on an opportunistic basis, dependent upon market conditions and available pricing. We may use the proceeds for general corporate purposes, which may include the repayment of outstanding indebtedness, the funding of development, expansion and acquisition opportunities and to increase working capital.

On August 26, 2019, we entered into an equity distribution agreement pursuant to which we may sell, from time to time, up to an aggregate sales price of \$500.0 million of our common shares through an ATM equity program (an "ATM Equity Program"). There were no common shares sold under the ATM Equity Program during the first quarter of 2020. On April 16, 2020, this ATM Equity Program was terminated and replaced with a new ATM Equity Program, pursuant to which we may sell up to an aggregate sales price of \$500.0 million of our common shares. Sales of our common shares made pursuant to the ATM Equity Program may be made in negotiated transactions or transactions that are deemed to be "at the market" offerings as defined in Rule 415 under the Securities Act, including sales made directly on the NYSE, or sales made to or through a market maker other than on an exchange, or as otherwise agreed between the applicable agent and us. Sales may also be made on a forward basis pursuant to separate forward sale agreements. We intend to use any net proceeds from sales of our common shares pursuant to the new ATM Equity Program for working capital, capital expenditures and other general corporate purposes, which may include funding development, expansion and acquisitions opportunities and the repayment of outstanding indebtedness.

During the year ended December 31, 2020, there were 7,440,532 common shares sold under the 2020 ATM Equity Program, resulting in gross proceeds of \$272.6 million. The proceeds were offset by \$3.0 million of fees. Included in the shares sold under the 2020 ATM Equity Program were forward sale agreements to sell 4,346,101 common shares for gross proceeds of \$162.2 million. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company settled 5,011,428 common shares for gross proceeds of \$183.0 million under its ATM equity program. Pursuant to the respective forward sale agreements, the remaining 2,428,604 of shares must be settled by September 1, 2021 for gross proceeds of \$89.6 million.

After considering the common shares issued during 2020 and the shares subject to the forward sale agreements, the Company had approximately \$227.4 million of availability remaining for distribution under the 2020 ATM Equity Program as of December 31, 2020.

### Security Interests in Customers' Products

By operation of law and in accordance with our customer contracts (other than leases), we typically receive warehouseman's liens on products held in our warehouses to secure customer payments. Such liens permit us to take control of the products and sell them to third parties in order to recover any monies receivable on a delinquent account, but such products may be perishable or otherwise not available to us for re-sale. Historically, in instances where we have warehouseman's liens and our customer sought bankruptcy protection, we have been successful in receiving "critical vendor" status, which has allowed us to fully collect on our accounts receivable during the pendency of the bankruptcy proceeding.

Our bad debt expense was \$1.6 million and \$1.8 million for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. As of December 31, 2020, we maintained bad debt allowances of approximately \$12.3 million, which we believed to be adequate.

#### **Dividends and Distributions**

We are required to distribute 90% of our taxable income (excluding capital gains) on an annual basis in order to continue to qualify as a REIT for federal income tax purposes. Accordingly, we intend to make, but are not contractually bound to make, regular quarterly distributions to shareholders from cash flows from our operating activities. While historically we have satisfied this distribution requirement by making cash distributions to our shareholders, we may choose to satisfy this requirement by making distributions of cash or other property. All such distributions are at the discretion of our Board of Trustees. We consider market factors and our performance in addition to REIT requirements in determining distribution levels. We have distributed at least 100% of our taxable income annually since inception to minimize corporate-level federal income taxes. Amounts accumulated for distribution to shareholders are invested primarily in interest-bearing accounts and short-term interest-bearing securities, which are consistent with our intention to maintain our status as a REIT.

As a result of this distribution requirement, we cannot rely on retained earnings to fund our ongoing operations to the same extent that other companies which are not REITs can. We may need to continue to raise capital in the debt and equity markets to fund our working capital needs, as well as potential developments in new or existing properties, acquisitions or investments in existing or newly created joint ventures. In addition, we may be required to use borrowings under our revolving credit facility, if necessary, to meet REIT distribution requirements and maintain our REIT status.

We declared the following dividends on our common shares during the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 (in thousands, except per share amounts):

# 2020 (Common Shares)

Month Declared/Paid		idend Per Share	Distributions Declared	Distributions Paid					
Month Declared/Paid		Snare	Common Shares	Common Shares					
(In thousands, except per share amounts)									
December (2019)/January	\$	0.2000	· · · · · ·	\$ 38,796					
December <sup>(a)</sup>			_	(169)	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.				
December (2019)/January			_	4	Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).				
March/April		0.2100	42,568	42,568					
March <sup>(b)</sup>			_	(233)	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.				
March/April			_	10	Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).				
May/July		0.2100	43,271	43,271					
May <sup>(c)</sup>			_	(232)	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.				
May/July			_	10	Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).				
September/October		0.2100	43,282	43,282					
October			_	(231)	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.				
September/October			_	10	Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).				
December	\$	0.210	53,820						
			\$ 182,941	\$ 167,086	=				

<sup>(</sup>a) Declared in December 2019 and included in the \$38.8 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

 <sup>(</sup>b) Declared in March and included in the \$42.6 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.
 (c) Declared in May and included in the \$43.3 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.
 (d) Declared in September and included in the \$43.3 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

2019 (Common Shares)

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Month Declared/Paid		ridend Per Share	Distributions Declared	Distributions Pa	id				
(In thousands, except per share amounts)									
December (2018)/January	\$	0.1875 \$	_	\$ 28,	218				
December (a)			_	(	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards 127) vest.				
December (2018)/January			_		Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest 7 (recognized as additional compensation).				
March/April		0.2000	30,235	30,	235				
March (b)			_	(	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards (42) vest.				
March/April			_		Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest 15 (recognized as additional compensation).				
June/July		0.2000	38,764	38,	764				
June (c)			_	(	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards 172) vest.				
June/July			_		Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest 13 (recognized as additional compensation).				
September/October		0.2000	38,795	38,	795				
October (d)			_	(	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards 170) vest.				
September/October			_		Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest 7 (recognized as additional compensation).				
December/January (2020)	\$	0.200	38,796		—				
	*	\$	146,590	\$ 135,	443				

<sup>(</sup>a) Declared in December 2018 and included in the \$28.2 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

<sup>(</sup>b) Declared in March and included in the \$30.2 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

 <sup>(</sup>c) Declared in June and included in the \$38.8 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.
 (d) Declared in September and included in the \$38.8 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

Month Declared/Paid	Div	idend Per Share	Distributio	one Deelawad	Distuibu	tions Doid	
Month Declared/Paid		Snare	Common Shares	Series B Preferred Shares	Common Shares	Series B Preferred Shares	
		•	(Ir	thousands, excep	pt per share amou	ints)	
January <sup>(a)</sup>	\$	0.0186	\$ 1,291	\$ 619	\$ 1,291	\$ 619	
March/April		0.1396	20,145	_	20,145		
March (c)			_	_	(79)	_	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.
March/April			_	_	20		Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).
June/July		0.1875	27,250	_	27,250	_	
June (d)			_	_	(118)	_	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.
June/July			_	_	28	_	Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).
September/October		0.1875	28,072	_	28,072		
October <sup>(e)</sup>			_	_	(114)	_	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the - awards vest.
September/October			_	_	28		Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).
December/January 2019	\$	0.1875	28,218	_	_	_	_
			\$ 104,976		\$ 76,523		
		-					
Series B Preferred Shares - Fix	xed Div	idend					
January (a)				1,198		1,198	
Total distributions paid to hold	ders of	Series B Pro	eferred Shares	\$ 1,817		\$ 1,817	<u> </u>

<sup>(</sup>a) Stub period dividend paid to shareholders of record prior to the IPO.

<sup>(</sup>b) Last participating and fixed dividend paid to holders of Series B Preferred Shares in connection with the conversion to common shares on the IPO date.

<sup>(</sup>e) Declared in March and included in the \$20.1 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

<sup>(</sup>d) Declared in June and included in the \$27.3 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

<sup>(</sup>e) Declared in September and included in the \$28.1 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

# **Outstanding Indebtedness**

The following table presents our outstanding and available indebtedness as of December 31, 2020 and 2019.

			Effective interest rate	Outstanding principal amount at			
Indebtedness	Stated Maturity Date	Contractual interest rate	as of December 31, 2020 (9)	December 31, 2020	D	ecember 31, 2019	
2013 Mortgage Loans						_	
Senior note	5/1/2023	3.81%	4.14%	\$ 174,693	\$	181,443	
Mezzanine A	5/1/2023	7.38%	7.55%	70,000		70,000	
Mezzanine B	5/1/2023	11.50%	11.75%	32,000		32,000	
Total 2013 Mortgage Loans				276,693		283,443	
Senior Unsecured Notes							
Series A notes	1/2026	4.68%	4.77%	200,000		200,000	
Series B notes	1/2029	4.86%	4.92%	400,000		400,000	
Series C notes	1/2030	4.10%	4.15%	350,000		350,000	
Series D notes <sup>(7)</sup>	1/2031	1.62%	1.66%	488,640		_	
Series E notes <sup>(8)</sup>	1/2033	1.65%	1.69%	427,560			
Total Senior Unsecured Notes				1,866,200		950,000	
2020 Senior Unsecured Term loan Tranche A-1 <sup>(1)</sup>	3/2025	L+0.95%	1.45%	325,000		_	
2020 Senior Unsecured Term loan Tranche A-2 (2)(6)	3/2025	C+0.95%	1.55%	196,325		_	
Total 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility <sup>(4)</sup>				521,325		_	
2018 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility (1)(4)	1/2023	L+1.00%	3.14%	_		475,000	
Total principal amount of indebtedness				\$ 2,664,218	\$	1,708,443	
Less: unamortized deferred financing costs				(15,952)		(12,996)	
$\textbf{Total indebtedness, net of unamortized deferred financing costs} \ ^{G}$	3)			\$ 2,648,266	\$	1,695,447	
2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility (3)(5)	3/2024	L+0.85%	0.23%	\$ —		N/A	
2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility <sup>(1)(3)</sup>	1/2021	L+0.90%	0.36%	N/A	\$	_	

<sup>(1)</sup> L = one-month LIBOR

<sup>(2)</sup> C=one month CDOR

<sup>(3)</sup> During the first quarter of 2020, the Company refinanced its Senior Unsecured Credit Facility. As such, the 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility was in effect as of December 31, 2020 and the 2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility was in effect as of December 31, 2019. The above disclosure reflects N/A for the reporting date that the respective instrument was not in effect.

<sup>(4)</sup> During the first quarter of 2020, the Company refinanced its Senior Unsecured Term Loan A. As such, the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility was in effect as of December 31, 2020 and the 2018 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility was in effect as of December 31, 2019.

<sup>(5)</sup> The Company has the option to extend the 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility up to two times for a six-month period each.

- (6) The 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan Tranche A-2 is denominated in Canadian dollars and aggregates to CAD \$250.0 million. The carrying value in the table above is the US dollar equivalent as of December 31, 2020.
- (7) The Senior Unsecured Notes Series D is denominated in Euros and aggregates to Euro \$400.0 million. The carrying value in the table above is the US dollar equivalent as of December 31, 2020.
- (8) The Senior Unsecured Notes Series E is denominated in Euros and aggregates to Euro \$350.0 million. The carrying value in the table above is the US dollar equivalent as of December 31, 2020.
- (9) The effective interest rate includes effects of amortization of the deferred financing costs. The weighted average effective interest rate for total debt was 3.19% and 4.57% as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

#### 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility

On March 26, 2020, we entered into a five-year Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility and a four-year \$800 million Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility, which we refer to as the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility. The proceeds were used to refinance the existing \$800 million 2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility maturing January 23, 2021 and USD denominated \$475 million 2018 Senior Unsecured Term Loan maturing January 23, 2023. The total borrowing capacity of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility is approximately \$1.4 billion USD. The Company reduced the margin on 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility and 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility by five basis points.

The 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility is broken into two tranches. Tranche A-1 is comprised of a \$425.0 million USD term loan and Tranche A-2 is comprised of a CAD \$250.0 million term loan, both are five-year loans maturing in 2025. Tranche A-2 provides a natural hedge for the Company's investment in the recently completed Nova Cold acquisition. We refer to Tranches A-1 and A-2 in aggregate as the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan Facility. In connection with entering into the agreement, we incurred approximately \$3.2 million of debt issuance costs related to the term loan, which we amortize as interest expense under the effective interest method. As of December 31, 2020, \$5.6 million of unamortized debt issuance costs related to the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility are included in "Mortgage notes, senior unsecured notes and term loan" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The maturity of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility is March 26, 2024, with the option to extend the maturity up to two times, each for a six-month period. In order to extend, the Company must not be in default, all representations and warranties must be in effect, obtain updated resolutions from loan parties, and an additional 6.25 bps extension fee must be paid. In connection with entering into the agreement, we incurred approximately \$5.2 million of debt issuance costs for the 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility, which we amortize as interest expense under the straight-line method. Unamortized deferred financing costs as of December 31, 2019 of \$2.8 million will continue to be amortized over the life of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility. As of December 31, 2020, \$5.8 million of unamortized debt issuance costs related to the revolving credit facility are included in "Other assets" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

On December 30, 2020, we repaid \$100.0 million of the 425000000 USD Tranche A-1 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A. This was funded using the Series D and E debt private placement issuance, more details on this debt issuance can be found under the "Series A, B, C, D, and E Senior Unsecured Notes" section below. In connection with this repayment, approximately \$1.5 million of unamortized deferred financing costs associated with the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility were written off. In addition, the interest rate swaps associated with the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A were terminated, resulting in an extinguishment fee of \$16.4 million. After accounting for the refinance, the total borrowing capacity of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility is approximately \$1.3 billion USD.

Our 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility contains representations, covenants and other terms customary for a publicly traded REIT. In addition, it contains certain financial covenants, as defined in the credit agreement, including:

- a maximum leverage ratio of less than or equal to 60% of our total asset value. Following a material acquisition, leverage ratio shall not exceed 65%;
- a maximum unencumbered leverage ratio of less than or equal to 60% to unencumbered asset value. Following a material acquisition, unencumbered leverage ratio shall not exceed 65%;
- a maximum secured leverage ratio of less than or equal to 40% to total asset value. Following a material acquisition, secured leverage ratio shall not exceed 45%:
- a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio of greater than or equal to 1.50x; and
- a minimum unsecured interest coverage ratio of greater than or equal to 1.75x.

Material Acquisition in our 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility is defined as one in which assets acquired exceeds an amount equal to 5% of total asset value as of the last day of the most recently ended fiscal quarter publicly available. Obligations under our 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility are general unsecured obligations of our Operating Partnership and are guaranteed by the Company and certain subsidiaries of the Company. As of December 31, 2020, the Company was in compliance with all debt covenants.

There were \$21.7 million letters of credit issued on the Company's 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility as of December 31, 2020.

# 2018 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility

On December 4, 2018, we entered into the 2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility to, among other things, (i) increase the revolver borrowing capacity from \$450 million to \$800 million, (ii) convert the credit facility (term loan and revolver) from a secured credit facility to an unsecured credit facility, and (iii) decrease the applicable interest rate margins from 2.35% to 1.45% and decrease the fee on unused borrowing capacity by 5 basis points. The terms of the revolver allow for the ability to draw proceeds in multiple currencies, up to \$400 million. In connection with entering into the original agreement and subsequent amendments for the Term Loan A Credit Facility, we incurred approximately \$8.9 million of debt issuance costs, which we amortize as interest expense under the effective interest method. As of December 31, 2019, the unamortized balance of Term Loan A debt issuance costs was \$6.1 million and was included in "Mortgage notes, senior unsecured notes and term loans" on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

On September 24, 2019, we reduced our interest rate margins from 1.45% to 1.00% and decreased the fee on unused borrowing capacity by 5 basis points for usage greater than 50% of the total commitment and 15 basis points for usage less than 50% of commitment. The fee for unused borrowing capacity was 20 basis points regardless of the percentage of total commitment used. During the third quarter of 2019, the Company received a favorable credit rating. This rating, when combined with existing ratings, allowed the Company to transition to a favorable ratings-based pricing grid during the third quarter of 2019.

There were \$23.0 million letters of credit issued on the Company's 2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility as of December 31, 2019. During the first quarter of 2020, the 2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility was refinanced and no longer outstanding as of December 31, 2020.

# Series A, B, C, D, and E Senior Unsecured Notes

On April 26, 2019, we completed a debt private placement transaction consisting of \$350.0 million senior unsecured notes with a coupon of 4.10% due January 8, 2030 ("Series C"). The transaction closed on May 7, 2019. Interest is paid on January 8 and July 8 of each year until maturity, with the first payment occurring January

8, 2020. The notes are general unsecured obligations of the Company and are guaranteed by the Company and the subsidiaries of the Company. The Company applied the proceeds of the private placement transaction to repay the indebtedness outstanding under our senior unsecured revolving credit facility incurred in connection with the funding of the Cloverleaf and Lanier acquisitions.

On November 6, 2018, we completed a debt private placement transaction consisting of (i) \$200.0 million senior unsecured notes with a coupon of 4.68% due January 8, 2026 ("Series A") and (ii) \$400.0 million senior unsecured notes with a coupon of 4.86% due January 8, 2029 ("Series B"), collectively referred to as the debt private placement. The transaction closed on December 4, 2018. Interest is paid on January 8 and July 8 of each year until maturity, with the first payment occurring July 8, 2019. The notes are our general unsecured senior obligations and are guaranteed by us and our subsidiaries. We applied a portion of the proceeds of the debt private placement to complete the defeasance of the \$600.0 million Americold 2010 LLC Trust, Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2010, ART, or the 2010 Mortgage Loans. We applied the remaining proceeds to the Australian term loan and the New Zealand term loan, or the ANZ Loans.

On December 30, 2020 we completed a debt private placement transaction consisting of (i)  $\in$ 400.00 million senior unsecured notes with a coupon of 1.62% due January 7, 2031 ("Series D") and (ii)  $\in$ 350.00 million senior unsecured notes with a coupon of 1.65% due January 7, 2033 ("Series E"). Interest is payable on January 7 and July 7 of each year until maturity, with the first payment occurring July 7, 2021. The notes are general unsecured senior obligations of the Operating Partnership and are guaranteed by the Company and certain subsidiaries of the Company. In connection with entering into the agreement, we incurred approximately \$4.5 million of debt issuance costs related to the issuance, which we amortize as interest expense under the effective interest method. The proceeds of the Series D and Series E issuance were used to fund a portion of the Agro acquisition, provide long-term financing for the Halls acquisition and repay a portion of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan Tranche A-1.

The Series A, B, C, D, and E senior notes (collectively referred to as the "Senior Unsecured Notes") and guarantee agreement includes a prepayment option executable at any time during the term of the loans. The prepayment can be either a partial payment or payment in full, as long as the partial payment is at least 5% of the outstanding principal. Any prepayment in full must include a make-whole amount, which is the discounted remaining scheduled payments due to the lender. The discount rate to be used is equal to 0.50% plus the yield to maturity reported for the most recently actively traded U.S. Treasury Securities with a maturity equal to the remaining average life of the prepaid principal. The Company must give each lender at least 10 days written notice whenever it intends to prepay any portion of the debt.

If a change in control occurs for us, we must issue an offer to prepay the remaining portion of the debt to the lenders. The prepayment amount will be 100% of the principal amount, as well as accrued and unpaid interest.

The Senior Unsecured Notes require compliance with leverage ratios, secured and unsecured indebtedness ratios, and unsecured indebtedness to qualified assets ratios. In addition, we are required to maintain at all times a credit rating for each series of notes from a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The 2018 Senior Unsecured Notes agreement includes the following financial covenants:

- a maximum leverage ratio of less than or equal to 60% of our total asset value;
- a maximum unsecured indebtedness to qualified assets ratio of less than 0.60 to 1.00;
- a maximum total secured indebtedness ratio of less than 0.40 to 1.00;
- a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio of greater than or equal to 1.50 to 1.00; and
- a minimum unsecured debt service ratio of greater than or equal to 2.00 to 1.00.

As of December 31, 2020, we were in compliance with all debt covenants.

# 2013 Mortgage Loans

On May 1, 2013, we entered into a mortgage financing in an aggregate principal amount of \$322.0 million, which we refer to as the 2013 Mortgage Loans. The debt consists of a senior debt note and two mezzanine notes. The components are cross-collateralized and cross-defaulted. The senior debt note requires monthly principal payments. The mezzanine notes require no principal payments until the stated maturity date in May 2023. The interest rates on the notes are fixed and range from 3.81% to 11.50% per annum. The senior debt note and the two mezzanine notes remain subject to yield maintenance provisions. We used the net proceeds of these loans to refinance certain of the 2006 Mortgage Loans, acquire two warehouses, and fund general corporate purposes.

The 2013 Mortgage Loans are collateralized by 15 warehouses. The terms governing the 2013 Mortgage Loans require us to maintain certain cash amounts in accounts that are restricted as to their use for the respective warehouses. As of December 31, 2020, the amount of restricted cash associated with the 2013 Mortgage Loans was \$3.6 million. Additionally, if we do not maintain certain financial thresholds, including a debt service coverage ratio of 1.10x, the cash generated will further be temporarily restricted and limited to the use for scheduled debt service and operating costs. The 2013 Mortgage Loans are non-recourse to us subject to customary non-recourse carve-outs.

The 2013 Mortgage Loans also require compliance with other financial covenants, including a debt coverage ratio and cash flow calculation, as defined.

#### **Debt Covenants**

Our Senior Unsecured Credit Facilities, the Senior Unsecured Notes and 2013 Mortgage Loans all require financial statement reporting, periodic reporting of compliance with financial covenants, other established thresholds and performance measurements, and compliance with affirmative and negative covenants that govern our allowable business practices. The affirmative and negative covenants include continuation of insurance, maintenance of collateral, the maintenance of REIT status, and our ability to enter into certain types of transactions or exposures in the normal course of business. As of December 31, 2020, we were in compliance with all debt covenants.

# Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and termination of derivative instruments

In connection with the early repayment of a portion of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility during the fourth quarter of 2020, the Company recorded \$1.5 million to "Loss on debt extinguishment and modifications" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations, representing the write-off of the proportionate unamortized deferred financing costs from the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility. In addition, the Company terminated the two interest rate swaps related to the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility for a fee of \$16.4 million. Approximately \$8.7 million of this fee will remain in "Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income" and will be amortized to expense through 2024, while \$7.7 million was expensed to "Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications, and termination of derivative instruments" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations during the year ended December 31, 2020.

In connection with the refinancing of the Senior Unsecured Credit Facility during the first quarter of 2020 the Company recorded \$0.8 million to "Loss on debt extinguishment and modifications" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, representing the write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs from the 2018 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility. These write-offs were a result of two lenders in the 2018

Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility that did not participate in the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility, accordingly those lenders' portion of unamortized deferred financing costs were written off. Similarly, two lenders in the 2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility did not participate in the 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility, and those lender's portions of unamortized deferred financing costs were written off.

# **Credit Ratings**

Our capital structure and financial practices have earned us investment grade credit ratings from three nationally recognized credit rating agencies. We have investment grade ratings of BBB with a stable outlook from Fitch, BBB with an Under Review with Positive Implications outlook from DBRS Morningstar, and an investment grade rating of Baa3 with a stable outlook from Moody's. These credit ratings are important to our ability to issue debt at favorable rates of interest, among other terms. Refer to our risk factor "Adverse changes in our credit ratings could negatively impact our financing activity" for further details regarding the potential impacts from changes to our credit ratings.

# Maintenance Capital Expenditures and Repair and Maintenance Expenses

We utilize a strategic approach to recurring maintenance capital expenditures and repair and maintenance expenses to maintain the high quality and operational efficiency of our warehouses and ensure that our warehouses meet the "mission-critical" role they serve in the cold chain.

# Maintenance Capital Expenditures

Maintenance capital expenditures are capitalized investments made to extend the life of, and provide future economic benefit from, our existing temperature-controlled warehouse network and its existing supporting personal property and information technology systems. Examples of maintenance capital expenditures related to our existing temperature-controlled warehouse network include replacing roofs and refrigeration equipment, and upgrading our racking systems. Examples of maintenance capital expenditures related to personal property include expenditures on material handling equipment (*e.g.*, fork lifts and pallet jacks) and related batteries. Examples of maintenance capital expenditures related to information technology include expenditures on existing servers, networking equipment and current software. Maintenance capital expenditures do not include acquisition costs contemplated when underwriting the purchase of a building or costs which are incurred to bring a building up to Americold's operating standards. The following table sets forth our recurring maintenance capital expenditures for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

		Year ended December 31,			
	2	020	2019		
	(In the	(In thousands, except per cubic foot amounts)			
Real estate	\$	55,967 \$	50,966		
Personal property		4,768	4,357		
Information technology		4,812	3,977		
Maintenance capital expenditures	\$	65,547 \$	59,300		
Maintenance capital expenditures per cubic foot	\$	0.055 \$	0.055		

### Repair and Maintenance Expenses

We incur repair and maintenance expenses that include costs of normal maintenance and repairs and minor replacements that do not materially extend the life of the property or provide future economic benefits. Repair and maintenance expenses consist of expenses related to our existing temperature-controlled warehouse network and its existing supporting personal property and are reflected as operating expenses on our income statement. Examples of repair and maintenance expenses related to our warehouse portfolio include ordinary repair and maintenance on roofs, racking, walls, doors, parking lots and refrigeration equipment. Examples of repair and maintenance expenses related to personal property include ordinary repair and maintenance expenses on material handling equipment (e.g., fork lifts and pallet jacks) and related batteries. The following table sets forth our repair and maintenance expenses for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

		Year ended December 31,			
	202	0	2019		
	(In thous	(In thousands, except per cubic foot amounts)			
Real estate	\$	27,797 \$	22,378		
Personal property		30,105	33,150		
Repair and maintenance expenses	\$	57,902 \$	55,528		
Repair and maintenance expenses per cubic foot	\$	0.049 \$	0.051		

# **External Growth, Expansion and Development Capital Expenditures**

External growth expenditures represent asset acquisitions or business combinations. Expansion and development capital expenditures are investments made to support both our customers and our warehouse expansion and development initiatives. It also includes investments in enhancing our information technology platform. Examples of capital expenditures associated with expansion and development initiatives include funding of construction costs, increases to warehouse capacity and pallet positions, acquisitions of reusable incremental material handling equipment, and implementing energy efficiency projects, such as thermal energy storage, LED lighting, motion-sensor technology, variable frequency drives for our fans and compressors, rapid-close doors and alternative-power generation technologies. Examples of capital expenditures to enhance our information technology platform include the delivery of new systems and software and customer interface functionality.

### Acquisitions

The acquisitions completed during the first quarter of 2020 relate to Newport and Nova Cold. The acquisitions completed during the third quarter of 2020 relate to AM-C Warehouses and Caspers. The acquisitions completed during the fourth quarter of 2020 related to Hall's and Agro. The acquisitions completed during 2019 relate to Cloverleaf, Lanier, PortFresh, and MHW, and excludes amounts related to the assets under construction for expansion and development projects, further detailed below.

The PortFresh acquisition cost included approximately \$15.9 million allocated to land on which we have developed a new facility, and have classified within Expansion and development expenditures in order to reflect the total cost of the project. The Cloverleaf acquisition included approximately \$17.0 million allocated to assets under construction which we have classified within Expansion and development expenditures in order to reflect the total cost of the projects discussed further below. Refer to Notes 2 and 3 of the Consolidated Financial Statements for details of the purchase price allocation for each acquisition.

# Expansion and development

The expansion and development expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2020 are primarily driven by \$74.8 million related to Plainville, Connecticut and \$73.3 million related to Lancaster, Pennsylvania, which are our two fully-automated development sites for Ahold Delhaize, \$62.2 million related to the ongoing Atlanta major markets strategy project, \$12.5 million in construction costs related to our Savannah expansion site, which was completed during the second quarter of 2020 and \$22.0 million related to the Auckland, New Zealand expansion project which was started during the second quarter of 2020. Additionally, during the fourth quarter of 2020, we invested \$11.7 million in our Russellville expansion.

Subsequent to the acquisition of MHW, during the first quarter of 2020, we exercised our call option to purchase land from the holder of the ground lease for \$4.1 million. We also invested an additional \$4.7 million for the Rochelle facility, which was previously opened during the second quarter of 2019.

As a result of the Cloverleaf Acquisition on May 1, 2019, we acquired expansion projects which were substantially completed during 2019. We incurred an additional \$2.9 million during the year ended December 31, 2020 for these expansion projects.

Expansion and development initiatives also include \$20.0 million of corporate initiatives, which are projects designed to reduce future spending over the course of time. This category reflects return on investment projects, conversion of leases to owned assets, and other cost-saving initiatives.

Finally, we incurred approximately \$10.6 million for contemplated future expansion or development projects.

The following table sets forth our acquisitions, expansion and development capital expenditures for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 (in thousands).

		Year ended December 31,				
	2020			2020 20		2019
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired and adjustments <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	1,858,937	\$	1,377,220		
Expansion and development initiatives		298,794		210,594		
Information technology		7,804		5,857		
Growth and expansion capital expenditures	\$	2,165,535	\$	1,593,671		

<sup>(1)</sup> Acquisitions, net of cash acquired and adjustments does not include \$512 million of equity issued directly to Oaktree Capital, the former owners of Agro, as consideration for the Agro acquisition.

# Future Sources and Uses of Cash

On January 29, 2021, the Company expanded its 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility by \$200 million. In addition, the Company paid \$200 million of principal on Tranche A-1 of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan. The maturity, margin, and other terms of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility remain unchanged.

#### **Historical Cash Flows**

The following summary discussion of our cash flows is based on the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and is not meant to be an all-inclusive discussion of the changes in our cash flows for the periods presented below.

	Year ended December 31,			
	 2020 2019			
	 (In thousands)			
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 293,680	\$	236,189	
Net cash used in investing activities	\$ (2,249,125)	\$	(1,604,934)	
Net cash provided by financing activities	\$ 2,329,901	\$	1,395,371	

### **Operating Activities**

For the year ended December 31, 2020, our net cash provided by operating activities was \$293.7 million, an increase of \$57.5 million, or 24.3%, compared to \$236.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. The increase is due to higher segment contribution in our same store results and as a result of our acquisitions during 2019 and 2020.

#### **Investing Activities**

Our net cash used in investing activities was \$2.2 billion for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$1.6 billion for the year ended December 31, 2019. Cash used for the acquisitions of Agro, AM-C, Hall's, Newport and Nova Cold and accounted for as business combinations totaled \$1.9 billion. Cash used in the acquisition of real estate was \$25.5 million, which related to the asset acquisition of Caspers during the third quarter of 2020. Additionally, the net payment in settlement of a foreign currency forward contract in connection with the issuance of the Series D and Series E senior unsecured notes was \$45.0 million. Additions to property, buildings and equipment were \$376.8 million and \$217.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. The increase in additions to property, buildings and equipment were driven by the Ahold, Atlanta, New Zealand, Savannah, Calgary, and Russellville expansion and development projects. Additionally, we invested \$26.2 million in the Brazil JV during the first quarter of 2020. These outflows were offset by \$80.2 million in proceeds from the sale of land and property, buildings, and equipment related to the sale of land in Sydney, the Quarry segment and the sale of the Boston facility.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$1.6 billion for the year ended December 31, 2019 and primarily consisted of \$1.3 billion paid for the acquisitions of Cloverleaf and Lanier, \$85.2 million paid for the acquisitions of real estate, which related to the asset acquisitions of Portfresh and MHW, and \$217.2 million used in additions to property, buildings and equipment. These cash outflows were partially offset by the proceeds from the sale of our investment in the China JV for \$14.3 million and \$2.0 million return of investment in a joint venture during 2019.

### Financing Activities

Our net cash provided by financing activities was \$2.3 billion for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$1.4 billion for the year ended December 31, 2019. Cash provided by financing activities for the current period primarily consisted of \$1.6 billion net proceeds from equity offerings during 2020, the \$922.4 million received in connection with the issuance of the Series D and Series E senior unsecured notes which was partially offset by the related debt issuance costs of \$10.1 million, the \$177.1 million received in connection with the refinancing of our Senior Unsecured Term Loan and \$636.8 million in proceeds from our revolving line of credit. These cash inflows were partially offset by \$627.1 million of repayment on our revolving line of credit using the proceeds from the issuance of the Series D and Series E senior unsecured notes, \$167.1 million of distributions paid, \$156.8 million of repayments on term loan and mortgage notes and \$23.7 million of payments related to lease obligations.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$1.40 billion for the year ended December 31, 2019 and primarily consisted of \$1.21 billion net proceeds from the April 2019 follow-on offering, \$350.0 million in proceeds from the issuance of our Series C senior unsecured notes in May 2019, \$100.0 million in proceeds received from revolving line of credit and \$10.2 million in proceeds from stock options exercised. These cash inflows were partially offset by \$135.4 million of distributions paid, \$100.0 million of repayment to revolving line of credit, \$16.5 million of repayments on lease obligations, \$10.4 million of repayment of mortgage notes and notes payable, \$7.1 million paid for tax withholdings remitted to authorities related to stock options exercised and \$2.1 million paid related to debt issuance costs.

# Withdrawal Liability from Multi-employer Plans

As of December 31, 2020, we participated in seven multiemployer pension plans administered by labor unions representing approximately 13% of our associates. We make periodic contributions to these plans pursuant to the terms of our collective bargaining agreements to allow the plans to meet their pension benefit obligations.

In the event that we withdraw from participation in any of the multiemployer pension plans in which we participate, the documents governing the applicable plan and applicable law could require us to make an additional contribution to the applicable plan in the amount of the unfunded vested benefits allocable to our participation in the plan, and we would have to reflect that as an expense on our Consolidated Statement of Operations and as a liability on our Consolidated Balance Sheet. Our withdrawal liability for any multiemployer pension plan would depend on the extent of the plan's funding of vested benefits as of the year in which the withdrawal occurs, and may vary depending on the funded status of the applicable multiemployer pension plan, whether there is a mass withdrawal of all participating employers and whether any other participating employer in the applicable plan withdraws from the plan due to insolvency and is not able to contribute an amount sufficient to fund the unfunded liabilities associated with its participants in the plan. The present value of all benefits vested under each of the multiemployer plans that we participated in as of December 31, 2020 (based on the labor union's assumptions used to fund such plan) did not, as of the last annual valuation date applicable thereto, exceed the value of the assets of such plan allocable to such vested benefits. Based on the latest information available from plan administrators, we estimate our share of the aggregate withdrawal liability for the multiemployer pension plans in which we participate could have been as much as \$726.9 million as of December 31, 2020, of which we estimate that certain of our customers are contractually obligated to make indemnification payments to us for approximately \$699.7 million. However, there is no guarantee that, to the extent we incurred any such withdrawal liability, we would be successful in obtaining any indemnification payments therefore.

In the ordinary course of our renegotiation of collective bargaining agreements with labor unions that maintain these plans, we could agree to discontinue participation in one or more plans, and in that event we could face a withdrawal liability. Additionally, we could be treated as withdrawing from a plan if the number of our associates participating in the plan is reduced to a certain degree over certain periods of time.

# Inflation

Our business could be impacted due to inflation. We believe, however, that we are well positioned to be able to manage our business in an inflationary environment. Certain of our expenses are subject to normal inflationary pressures and this could lead to increases in the operating costs of our properties, such as wages and benefits, insurance, real estate taxes, utility expenses, equipment repair and replacement and other operating expenses. Although to date we have been able to offset inflationary cost increases with increased operating efficiencies and the ability to increase prices in our customer contracts (many of which contain provisions for inflationary price escalators), we can give no assurance that we will be able to offset any future inflationary cost increases through similar efficiencies or increased storage or service charges.

# **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Our discussion and analysis of our historical financial condition and results of operations for the periods described is based on our audited consolidated financial statements and our unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements, each of which has been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. The preparation of these historical financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates, assumptions and judgments in certain circumstances that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and contingencies as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. We evaluate our assumptions and estimates on an ongoing basis. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions. For more information on our significant accounting policies, see Note 2 to our Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The following critical accounting discussion pertains to accounting policies management believes are most critical to the portrayal of our historical financial condition and results of operations and that require significant, difficult, subjective or complex judgments. Other companies in similar businesses may use different estimation policies and methodologies, which may impact the comparability of our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows to those of other companies.

### Goodwill Impairment Evaluation

We perform impairment testing of goodwill as of October 1 of each year, and between annual evaluations if events occur or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount. Such events or changes in circumstances may include a significant deterioration in overall economic conditions, changes in the business climate of our industry, a decline in our market capitalization, operating performance indicators and competition. As of October 1, 2020, our reporting units included the following: North American warehouse, U.S. transportation, North America third-party managed, international warehouse, international third-party managed, and international transportation. Our reporting units may change with the integration of Agro's operations in Europe, North America, South America, and Australia. However, since the Agro acquisition closed on December 30, 2020, it was not included in the 2020 annual goodwill impairment evaluation.

We may use both qualitative and quantitative approaches when testing goodwill for impairment. For selected reporting units where we use the qualitative approach, we perform a qualitative evaluation of events and circumstances impacting the reporting unit to determine the likelihood of goodwill impairment. Based on that qualitative evaluation, if we determine it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit exceeds its carrying amount, no further evaluation is necessary. Otherwise, we perform a quantitative impairment test. We may also perform a quantitative evaluation periodically, even if there is no change of events or circumstances.

To perform the quantitative impairment test, we compare the fair value of a reporting unit to its carrying value, including goodwill. If the fair value of a reporting unit exceeds its carrying value, goodwill of the reporting unit is not impaired. If the carrying value of the reporting unit, including goodwill, exceeds its fair value, a goodwill impairment loss is recognized in an amount equal to that excess, limited to the total amount of goodwill allocated to that reporting unit. We generally estimate the fair value of each reporting unit using a combination of a discounted cash flow analysis and market-based valuation methodologies such as comparable public company trading values and values observed in recent business acquisitions. The estimation of the net present value of future cash flows is based upon varying economic assumptions, including significant assumptions such as revenue growth rates, operating costs and margins, capital expenditures, tax rates, long-term growth rates and discount

rates. These assumptions are based on risk-adjusted growth rates and discount factors accommodating conservative viewpoints that consider the full range of variability contemplated in the current and potential future economic situations. The discount rates utilized in the discounted cash flow analysis are based on the respective reporting units weighted average cost of capital, which takes into account the relative weights of each component of capital structure (equity and debt) and represents the expected cost of new capital, adjusted as appropriate to consider the risk inherent in future cash flows of the respective reporting unit. The carrying value of each reporting unit includes the assets and liabilities employed in its operations, goodwill and allocations of amounts held at the business segment and corporate levels. We also assess market-based multiples of other market-participant companies, further corroborating that our discounted cash flow models reflect fair value assumptions that are appropriately aligned with market-participant valuation multiples.

Historically, our reporting units have generated sufficient returns to recover the value of goodwill. The results of our 2020 impairment test indicated that the estimated fair value of each of our reporting units was substantially in excess of the corresponding carrying amount as of October 1, and no impairment of goodwill existed.

We have completed various acquisitions over the past year, which have increased our consolidated goodwill balance. On January 2, 2020, the Company completed the acquisitions of Nova Cold and Newport. The resulting intangible assets included goodwill of \$71.7 million for the warehouse segment. On August 31, 2020, the Company completed the acquisition of AM-C. The resulting intangible assets included goodwill of \$10.4 million for the warehouse segment. The goodwill from Nova Cold, Newport, and AM-C was included in the annual goodwill impairment test as these acquisitions closed prior to October 1, 2020.

On November 2, 2020 the Company completed the acquisition of Hall's. The resulting intangible assets associated with the Hall's acquisition included goodwill of \$42.7 million that has been allocated to the warehouse and transportation segments. On December 30, 2020 the Company completed the acquisition of Agro Merchants. The resulting intangible assets associated with the acquisition included goodwill of \$346.7 million that has been allocated to the warehouse and transportation segments. The goodwill from Hall's and Agro was excluded from the annual goodwill impairment test, as the test was completed as of October 1, 2020. However, we have not identified any indicators of impairment subsequent to the closing of the aforementioned acquisitions that would necessitate the need for us to perform a quantitative impairment test subsequent to the annual quantitative test performed as of October 1, 2020.

#### **Business Combinations**

From time to time, we may enter into business combinations. In accordance with ASC 805, "Business Combinations", we generally recognize the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed at their fair values as of the date of acquisition. We measure goodwill as the excess of consideration transferred over the net of the acquisition date fair values of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed. Goodwill is assigned to each reporting unit based upon the expected proportionate gross margin. The acquisition method of accounting requires us to make significant estimates and assumptions regarding the fair values of the elements of a business combination as of the date of acquisition, including the fair values of identifiable intangible assets, land and buildings and improvements. Significant estimates and assumptions include subjective and/or complex judgments regarding items such as revenue growth rates, operating costs and margins, capital expenditures, tax rates, long-term growth rates, discount rates, customer attrition rates, economic lives and other factors, including estimating future cash flows that we expect to generate from the acquired assets. The significant assumptions impacting the fair value of the acquired real property include estimates of indirect costs and entrepreneurial profit on the transaction, which were added to the replacement cost of the acquired assets in order to estimate their fair value in the market.

The acquisition method of accounting also requires us to refine these estimates over a measurement period not to exceed one year to reflect new information obtained about facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date that, if known, would have affected the measurement of the amounts recognized as of that date. If we are required to adjust provisional amounts that we have recorded for the fair values of assets and liabilities in connection with acquisitions, these adjustments could have a material impact on our financial condition and results of operations. If the subsequent actual results and updated projections of the underlying business activity change compared with the assumptions and projections used to develop these values, we could record future impairment charges. In addition, we have estimated the economic lives of certain acquired assets and these lives are used to calculate depreciation and amortization expense.

On November 2, 2020, we completed the acquisition of Halls for total consideration of \$489.2 million. On December 30, 2020, we completed the acquisition of Agro Merchants for total consideration of \$1.59 billion. The acquisition accounting for both of these business combinations is based upon a preliminary valuation. Our estimates and assumptions are subject to change during the measurement period, not to exceed one year from the acquisition date. The primary areas of the purchase price allocation that are not yet finalized relate to the following: finalizing the review and valuation of land, land improvements, building and machinery and equipment (including the models, key assumptions, estimates and inputs) and assignment of remaining useful lives associated with the depreciable assets), (ii) finalizing the review and valuation of customer related intangible assets (including key assumptions, inputs and estimates), (iii) finalizing our review of certain current and non-current assets acquired and liabilities assumed, (iv) finalizing the valuation of certain in-place contracts or contractual relationships (including but not limited to leases), including determining the appropriate amortization period, (v) finalizing the evaluation and valuation of certain legal matters and/or other loss contingencies, including those that we may not yet be aware of but meet the requirement to qualify as a pre-acquisition contingency, and (vi) finalizing our estimate of the impact of purchase accounting on deferred income tax liabilities.

To the extent possible, estimates have been considered and recorded, as appropriate, for the items above based on the information available as of December 31, 2020. We will continue to evaluate these items until they are satisfactorily resolved and adjust our acquisition accounting accordingly, within the allowable measurement period (not to exceed one year from the date of acquisition), as defined by ASC 805.

## Revenue Recognition

Our primary revenue source consists of rent, storage and warehouse services revenues. Additionally, we charge transportation fees to those customers who use our transportation services, where we act as the principal in the arrangement of the services. We also receive a reimbursement of substantially all expenses for warehouses that we manage on behalf of third-party owners, with all reimbursements recognized as revenues under the relevant accounting guidance. We also earn management fees, incentive fees upon achieving negotiated performance and cost-savings results, or an applicable mark-up on costs. Revenues from storage and handling are recognized over the period consistent with the transfer of the service to the customer. Multiple contracts with a single counterparty are accounted for as separate arrangements. We recognize transportation fees and expenses on a gross basis upon delivery of products on behalf of our customers. We also recognize management fees and related expense reimbursements as revenues as we perform management services and incur the expense.

### **New Accounting Pronouncements**

See Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

## ITEM 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

#### Interest Rate Risk

Our future income and cash flows relevant to financial instruments are dependent upon prevalent market interest rates. Market risk refers to the risk of loss from adverse changes in market prices and interest rates.

As of December 31, 2020, we had \$325 million of outstanding USD-denominated variable-rate debt and \$250 million of outstanding CAD-denominated variable-rate debt. This consisted of our Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility bearing interest at one-month LIBOR for the USD tranche and one-month CDOR for the CAD tranche, plus a margin up to 0.95%. Through November 2020, \$100 million of the USD-denominated debt was hedged by an interest rate swap that effectively locked the floating LIBOR rate at 2.48%. Additionally, through November 2020, \$225 million of the USD-denominated debt was hedged by an interest rate swap that effectively locked the floating LIBOR rate at 1.30%. These interest rate swaps were terminated during November 2020.

At December 31, 2020, one-month LIBOR was approximately 0.15% and one-month CDOR was approximately 0.46%, therefore a 100 basis point increase in market interest rates would result in an increase in interest expense to service our variable-rate debt of approximately \$1.4 million. A 100 basis point decrease in market interest rates would result in a decrease in interest of approximately \$1.4 million.

## Foreign Currency Risk

Our international revenues and expenses are generated in the currencies of the countries in which we operate, including Australia, New Zealand, Argentina, Canada, several European countries and Chile. We are exposed to foreign currency exchange variability related to investments in and earnings from our foreign investments. Foreign currency market risk is the possibility that our results of operations or financial position could be better or worse than planned because of changes in foreign currency exchange rates. When the local currencies in these countries decline relative to our reporting currency, the U.S. dollar, our consolidated revenues, contribution (NOI) margins and net investment in properties and operations outside the United States decrease. The impact of currency fluctuations on our earnings is partially mitigated by the fact that most operating and other expenses are also incurred and paid in the local currency. The impact of devaluation or depreciating currency on an entity depends on the residual effect on the local economy and the ability of an entity to raise prices and/or reduce expenses. Due to our constantly changing currency exposure and the potential substantial volatility of currency exchange rates, we cannot predict the effect of exchange rate fluctuations on our business. As a result, changes in the relation of the currency of our international operations to U.S. dollars may also affect the book value of our assets and the amount of total equity. A 10% depreciation in the year-end functional currencies of our international operations, relative to the U.S. dollar, would have resulted in a reduction in our total equity of approximately \$20.1 million as of December 31, 2020.

Our operations in Argentina are reported using highly inflationary accounting. The Argentina subsidiary's functional currency is the Australian dollar, which is the reporting and functional currency of their immediate parent company. The entity's statements of operations and balance sheets have been measured in Australian dollars using both current and historical exchange rates prior to translation into U.S. dollars in consolidation. As of December 31, 2020, the net monetary assets of the Argentina subsidiary were immaterial and, therefore, a 10% unfavorable change in the exchange rate would not be material. Additionally, the operating income of the Argentina subsidiary was less than 3.5% of our consolidated operating income for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, revenues from our international operations were \$258.1 million and \$256.4 million, respectively, which represented 13.0% and 14.4% of our consolidated revenues, respectively.

Net assets in international operations were approximately \$1.2 billion and \$70.3 million as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. The amount of net assets attributable to the Agro acquisition, which has net assets in both domestic and international operations, totaled \$1.6 billion as of December 31, 2020.

The effect of a change in foreign exchange rates on our net investment in foreign subsidiaries is reflected in the Accumulated other comprehensive loss component of equity of our Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

We attempt to mitigate a portion of the risk of currency fluctuation by financing certain of our foreign investments in local currency denominations, effectively providing a natural hedge. However, given the volatility of currency exchange rates, there can be no assurance that this strategy will be effective. The Company has entered into cross-currency swaps on its foreign denominated intercompany loans to hedge the cash flow variability from the impact of changes in foreign currency on the interest payments on the intercompany loan as well as the final principal payment. Since the critical terms of the derivatives match the critical terms of the intercompany loans, the hedge is considered perfectly effective. All changes in fair value will be recorded to Accumulated other comprehensive loss.

On December 30, 2020, we closed on the Agro acquisition, which conducts a significant amount of its operations in Europe. In tandem with this acquisition, we closed on the Series D and E Senior Unsecured Notes in aggregate of €750 million. The debt was designated as a net investment hedge for the Agro operations, as the principal is greater than the equity residing in the European entities. Quarterly, effectiveness will be measured according to the amount of principal compared to the equity of the European entities. A portion of the Series D and E Senior Unsecured Notes may be undesignated if the equity is insufficient to hedge the principal from the Series D and E Senior Unsecured Notes issuance. The remeasurement on the Series D and E Senior Unsecured Notes will be recorded to Accumulated other comprehensive loss.

Additionally, we entered into a foreign currency forward to exchange the  $\in$ 750 million proceeds for \$877.4 million USD. On the date of issuance, the  $\in$ 750 million issuance was equivalent to \$922.4 million USD, based on the spot rate. The difference between the proceeds from the foreign currency forward and the market equivalent on the date of debt issuance of \$45 million was recorded to Foreign currency exchange (loss) gain, net, a component of other (expense) income of our Consolidated Statements of Operations included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

As a result of the Agro acquisition, multiple intercompany loans were generated, denominated in various foreign currencies. These intercompany loans have been designated as long-term, permanent investments, whereby the periodic remeasurement will be recorded through Accumulated other comprehensive loss on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

### ITEM 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

The independent registered public accounting firm's reports, consolidated financial statements and schedule listed in the "Index to Financial Statements" on page F-1 of this Annual Report are filed as part of this report and incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9. Changes in an None.	nd Disagreements with A	Accountants on Acco	unting and Financia	l Disclosure	
None.					

### ITEM 9A. Controls and Procedures

## Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements included in this annual report. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and reflect management's judgments and estimates concerning events and transactions that are accounted for or disclosed.

Management is also responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f). Management recognizes that there are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of any internal control and effective internal control over financial reporting can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation. Additionally, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting may vary over time.

Management assessed the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020. In making this assessment, management used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework* (2013 framework). The scope of our efforts to comply with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act with respect to 2020 included all of our operations other than those we acquired in 2020 as described in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements. In accordance with the SEC's published guidance, because we acquired these operations during the year, we excluded these operations from our efforts to comply with Section 404 with respect to 2020. These acquired businesses constituted 40% of total assets as of December 31, 2020 and 3% of revenue for the year then ended. Of these acquisitions, the acquisition of Agro Merchants represented 28% of total assets and less than 1% of revenue for the year ended December 31, 2020. The SEC's published guidance specifies that the period in which management may omit an assessment of an acquired business's internal control over financial reporting from its assessment of the Company's internal control may not extend beyond one year from the date of acquisition. Based on our assessment, which as discussed herein excluded the operations of the businesses acquired, management believes that the Company maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020.

The effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting has been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which is included in this Annual Report.

### Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a - 15(f) of the Exchange Act) identified in connection with the evaluation required by Rule 13a-15(d) under the Exchange Act during the year ended December 31, 2020 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and the Board of Trustees of Americold Realty Trust and Subsidiaries

## **Opinion on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

We have audited Americold Realty Trust and subsidiaries' internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) (the COSO criteria). In our opinion, Americold Realty Trust and subsidiaries (the Company) maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020, based on the COSO criteria.

As indicated in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting, management's assessment of and conclusion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting did not include the internal controls of businesses acquired during the year ended December 31, 2020, which are included in Note 2 and 3 of the 2020 consolidated financial statements of the Company and constituted approximately 40% of total assets as of December 31, 2020 and approximately 3% of revenue for the year then ended. Of these acquisitions, the acquisition of Agro Merchants Group represented approximately 28% of total assets as of December 31, 2020 and less than 1% of revenue for the year then ended. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting of the Company also did not include an evaluation of the internal control over financial reporting of the businesses acquired during the year ended December 31, 2020.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the consolidated balance sheets of the Company as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes and the financial statement schedule listed in the index at Item 15(a) and our report dated March 1, 2021 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

## **Basis for Opinion**

The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects.

Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

**Definition and Limitations of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting** 

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Atlanta, Georgia March 1, 2021

ITEM 9B. Other Information	
None.	

### **PART III**

## ITEM 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

The information required by Item 10 will be included in the definitive proxy statement relating to the 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Americold Realty Trust and is incorporated herein by reference.

## **ITEM 11. Executive Compensation**

The information required by Item 11 will be included in the definitive proxy statement relating to the 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Americald Realty Trust and is incorporated herein by reference.

## ITEM 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

The information required by Item 12 will be included in the definitive proxy statement relating to the 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Americold Realty Trust and is incorporated herein by reference.

## ITEM 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence

The information required by Item 13 will be included in the definitive proxy statement relating to the 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Americold Realty Trust and is incorporated herein by reference.

## ITEM 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services

The information required by Item 14 will be included in the definitive proxy statement relating to the 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Americold Realty Trust and is incorporated herein by reference.

PART IV		

### ITEM 15. Exhibits, Financial Statements and Schedules

#### Americold Realty Trust and Subsidiaries

The following documents are filed as a part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K:

### a. Financial Statements and Schedules

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#### b. Exhibits

### **EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit No.	Description
<u>2.1</u>	Equity Purchase Agreement, dated as of April 16, 2019 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 16, 2019 (File No. 001-34723))
<u>2.2</u>	Transaction Agreement, dated as of October 12, 2020 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 13, 2020 (File No. 001-34723))
<u>3.1</u>	Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust of Americold Realty Trust, dated as of January 22, 2018 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to

- Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 23, 2018 (File No. 001-34723))

  3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws of Americold Realty Trust (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on
- Form 8-K filed on May 23, 2019 (File No. 001-34723))

  3.3 Certificate of Limited Partnership of Americold Realty Operating Partnership, L.P. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to Americold Realty Trust's
- 3.4 Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Americold Realty Operating Partnership, L.P. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 2, 2019 (File No. 001-34723))
- 3.5 Articles of Amendment to Declaration of Trust of Americold Realty Trust, dated as of March 9, 2020 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on March 10, 2020 (File No. 001-34723))
- 4.1 Description of shares of Beneficial Interest (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Americold Realty Trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 2, 2020 (File No. 001-34723))
- 4.2 Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of December 30, 2020 by and among Americold Realty Trust and the Holders named therein.

Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on February 26, 2019 (File No. 001-34723))

- 10.1 Credit Agreement, dated as of December 4, 2018, by and among the Operating Partnership, the Company, the Several Lenders and Letter of Credit Issuers from Time to Time Parties Thereto and Bank of America, National Association, as Administrative Agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 5, 2018 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.2 Consent and First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of December 23, 2019, by and among the Company, the Operating Partnership and the guarantors, lenders and letter of credit issues named therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Form on Form 8-K filed on January 9, 2020 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.3 Credit Agreement, dated as of March 26, 2020, by and among the Company, the Operating Partnership, certain of their subsidiaries, Several Lenders and Letter of Credit Issuers named therein and Bank of America, National Association, as Administrative Agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Americald Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on March 30, 2020 (File No. 001-34723))

- 10.4 Note and Guaranty Agreement, dated as of December 4, 2018, by and among the Operating Partnership, the Company and the purchasers named therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 5, 2018 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.5 Note and Guaranty Agreement, dated as of May 7, 2019, by and among the Operating Partnership, the Company and the purchasers named therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 8, 2019 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.6 Amendment No. 1 to the Note and Guaranty Agreement, dated as of May 7, 2019, dated as of December 30, 2020, by and among the Operating Partnership, the Company and the purchasers named therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 6, 2021 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.7 Amendment No. 2 to the Note and Guaranty Agreement, dated as of December 4, 2018, dated as of December 30, 2020, by and among the Operating Partnership, the Company and the purchasers named therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 6, 2021 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.8 Note and Guaranty Agreement, dated as of December 30, 2020, by and among the Operating Partnership, the Company and the Purchasers (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 6, 2021 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.9# Employment Agreement, dated as of January 23, 2018, by and between AmeriCold Logistics, LLC and Fred Boehler (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 23, 2018 (Registration No. 333-221560))
- 10.10# Employment Agreement, dated as of January 23, 2018, by and between AmeriCold Logistics, LLC and Marc Smernoff (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 23, 2018 (Registration No. 333-221560))
- 10.11# Employment Agreement, dated as of January 23, 2018, by and between AmeriCold Logistics, LLC and Thomas Novosel (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 23, 2018 (Registration No. 333-221560))
- 10.12# Letter Agreement, dated May 11, 2018, by and between Americold Realty Trust and Marc Smernoff (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to Americold Realty Trust's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2018, filed on May 15, 2018 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.13# Employment Agreement, dated as of September 11, 2018, by and between AmeriCold Logistics, LLC and Carlos Rodriguez (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed on September 11, 2018 (File No. 001-34723)
- 10.14# Employment Agreement, dated as of March 26, 2018, by and between AmeriCold Logistics, LLC and James Snyder (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to Americold Realty Trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, filed on February 27, 2019 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.15# Employment Agreement, dated as of September 25, 2018, by and between AmeriCold Logistics, LLC and James Harron (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.11 to Americold Realty Trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, filed on February 27, 2019 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.16# Employment Agreement, dated as of September 13, 2018, by and between AmeriCold Logistics, LLC and David Stuver (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to Americold Realty Trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, filed on February 27, 2019 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.17# Employment Agreement, dated January 7, 2020, by and between Americold Realty Trust and Robert Chambers (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 10, 2020 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.18 Form of Indemnification Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.16 to Americold Realty Trust's Registration Statement on Form S-11/A, filed on December 19, 2017 (Registration No. 333-221560))
- 10.19 Americold Realty Trust 2008 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.21 to Americold Realty Trust's Registration Statement on Form S-11/A, filed on January 12, 2018 (Registration No. 333-221560))
- 10.20 Americold Realty Trust 2010 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.14 to Americold Realty Trust's Registration Statement on Form S-11/A, filed on December 20, 2017 (Registration No. 333-221560))
- 10.21 Americold Realty Trust 2017 Equity Incentive Plan, effective as of January 23, 2018 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to Americold Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 23, 2018 (Registration No. 333-221560))
- 10.22 Form of Annual Trustee Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Americold Realty Trust's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2018, filed on May 15, 2018 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.23 Form of Retention Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Americold Realty Trust's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2018, filed on May 15, 2018 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.24 Form of Performance Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to Americold Realty Trust's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2018, filed on May 15, 2018 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.25 Form of Annual Trustee OP Unit Award Agreement (incorporated by referenced to Exhibit 10.1 to Americold Realty Trust's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2019, filed on August 9, 2019 (File No. 001-34723))

- 10.26 Form of Retention OP Unit Award Agreement (incorporated by referenced to Exhibit 10.2 to Americold Realty Trust's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2019, filed on August 9, 2019 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.27 Form of Performance OP Unit Award Agreement (incorporated by referenced to Exhibit 10.3 to Americold Realty Trust's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2019, filed on August 9, 2019 (File No. 001-34723))
- 10.28 Form of Performance Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.26 to Americold Realty Trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 2, 2020 (File No. 001-34723))
- 21.1 List of Subsidiaries
- 23.1 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 Americold Realty Trust
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 Americold Realty Trust
- 32.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 Americold Realty Trust
- 32.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 Americold Realty Trust
- 95.1 Information concerning mine safety violations or other regulatory matters required by Section 1503(a) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.
- 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

# This document has been identified as a management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

Certain agreements and other documents filed as exhibits to this Annual Report on Form 10-K contain representations and warranties that the parties thereto made to each other. These representations and warranties have been made solely for the benefit of the other parties to such agreements and may have been qualified by certain information that has been disclosed to the other parties to such agreements and other documents and that may not be reflected in such agreements and other documents. In addition, these representations and warranties may be intended as a way of allocating risks among parties if the statements contained therein prove to be incorrect, rather than as actual statements of fact. Accordingly, there can be no reliance on any such representations and warranties as characterizations of the actual state of facts. Moreover, information concerning the subject matter of any such representations and warranties may have changed since the date of such agreements and other documents.

ITEM 16. Form 10-K Summary	
Not Applicable.	

## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and the Board of Trustees of Americold Realty Trust and Subsidiaries

#### **Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Americold Realty Trust and subsidiaries (the Company) as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes and financial statement schedule listed in the index at Item 15(a) (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements"). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company at December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2020, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) and our report dated March 1, 2021 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

### **Critical Audit Matters**

The critical audit matters communicated below are matters arising from the current period audit of the consolidated financial statements that were communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relate to accounts or disclosures that are material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of critical audit matters does not alter in any way our opinion on the consolidated financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matters below, providing separate opinions on the critical audit matters or on the accounts or disclosures to which they relate.

## Accounting for the Acquisition of Nova Cold

Description of the Matter

As more fully described in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company acquired Nova Cold Logistics ("Nova Cold") in January 2020 for aggregate cash consideration of approximately \$260.6 million. The acquisition was accounted for as a business combination and, as such, the Company measured the assets acquired and liabilities assumed at their acquisition-date fair values, including fair values of the acquired land, buildings and improvements, and the customer relationships intangible asset of \$34.8 million, \$106.1 million, and \$53.9 million, respectively.

Auditing management's accounting for the acquisition of Nova Cold involved especially subjective judgments and complex analyses related to the fair value estimates of the acquired land, buildings and improvements, and customer relationships intangible asset due to the significant estimation required in determining fair value. The estimate of fair value of the acquired land and buildings and improvements is sensitive to changes in assumptions of comparable transactions in the market. The estimate of fair value of the acquired customer relationships intangible asset is sensitive to changes in assumptions impacting the net present value of future cash flows expected from the future performance of the acquired business. The significant assumptions impacting the fair value of the acquired land and buildings and improvements included estimates of indirect costs and entrepreneurial profit, which were added to the replacement cost of the acquired assets in order to estimate their fair value in the market, and the significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value of the acquired customer relationships intangible asset include revenue growth rates, customer attrition rates, operating costs and margins, capital expenditures, tax rates, long-term growth rates, and discount rates, which are affected by expectations about future market and economic conditions.

Our Audit

How We Addressed the Matter in We obtained an understanding, evaluated the design and tested the operating effectiveness over the Company's controls related to the accounting for the Nova Cold acquisition process. For example, we tested controls over the recognition and measurement of the acquired land and buildings and improvements, and customer relationships intangible asset, including the Company's controls over the valuation approach and method selected, and the significant assumptions used in the fair value measurement described above.

> To test the fair value of the acquired land and buildings and improvements, our audit procedures, which involved the assistance of our valuation specialists, included evaluating the Company's valuation methods and related significant assumptions used as well as testing the completeness and accuracy of the underlying data supporting the significant assumptions and estimates. For example, we compared the significant assumptions used to estimate the concluded fair value of the acquired land and buildings and improvements to recent, historical transactions within the industry.

> To test the fair value of the acquired customer relationships intangible asset, our audit procedures included evaluating the Company's valuation method and significant assumptions used and testing the completeness and accuracy of the underlying data supporting the significant assumptions and estimates. We compared the significant assumptions used by management to current economic trends, where applicable, the historical results of the acquired business, and other relevant factors. We involved our valuation specialists to assist with our evaluation of the valuation method and certain significant assumptions, including the discount rate used in determining the fair value of

the customer relationships intangible asset.

# Test of Goodwill for Impairment

Description of the Matter

As more fully described in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company evaluates the carrying value of goodwill each year as of October 1 and between annual evaluations if events occur or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit to which goodwill has been allocated below its carrying amount. The carrying value of the Company's goodwill balance totaled \$794.3 million as of December 31, 2020

Auditing management's goodwill impairment test involved especially subjective judgments due to the significant estimation required in determining the fair value of the reporting units to which goodwill has been allocated. In particular, the estimates of fair value are sensitive to changes in assumptions impacting the net present value of future cash flows attributable to the reporting units, including revenue growth rates, operating costs and margins, capital expenditures, tax rates, long-erm growth rates, and discount rates, which are affected by expectations about future market and economic conditions.

Our Audit

How We Addressed the Matter in We obtained an understanding, evaluated the design and tested the operating effectiveness of controls over the Company's goodwill impairment review process. For example, we tested controls over the estimation of the fair values of the reporting units to which goodwill has been allocated, including the Company's controls over the valuation models, the mathematical accuracy of the valuation models and development of underlying assumptions used to determine the fair values of the reporting units. We also tested controls over management's review of the reconciliation of the aggregate estimated fair value of the reporting units to the market capitalization of the Company.

> To test the estimated fair values of the Company's reporting units, our audit procedures included, among others, assessing the valuation methodology and the underlying data used by the Company in its analysis, including testing the significant assumptions discussed above. We compared the significant assumptions used by management to current economic trends, historical results, and other relevant factors. We assessed the historical accuracy of management's assumptions of future expected net cash flows and performed sensitivity analyses of significant assumptions to evaluate the changes in the fair values of the reporting units that would result from changes in the assumptions. We involved valuation specialists to assist in our evaluation of the valuation methodology and the significant assumptions, including the discount rate used in determining the fair values of the reporting units. We also tested the reconciliation of the aggregate estimated fair value of the reporting units to the market capitalization of the Company.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2010.

Atlanta, Georgia March 1, 2021

# Americold Realty Trust and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets

(In thousands, except shares and per share amounts)

December 31,

		2020	ibei 3	2019
Assets				
Property, buildings and equipment:				
Land	\$	662,885	\$	526,226
Buildings and improvements		4,004,824		2,696,732
Machinery and equipment		1,177,572		817,617
Assets under construction		303,531		108,639
	-	6,148,812	-	4,149,214
Accumulated depreciation		(1,382,298)		(1,216,553)
Property, buildings and equipment – net		4,766,514		2,932,661
Operating lease right-of-use assets		291,797		77,723
Accumulated depreciation – operating leases		(24,483)		(18,110
Operating leases – net		267,314		59,613
Financing leases:				
Buildings and improvements		60,513		11,227
Machinery and equipment		109,416		76,811
		169,929		88,038
Accumulated depreciation – financing leases		(40,937)		(29,697
Financing leases – net	_	128,992		58,341
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash		621,051		240,613
Accounts receivable – net of allowance of \$12,286 and \$6,927 at December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively		324,221		214,842
Identifiable intangible assets – net		797,423		284,758
Goodwill		794,335		318,483
Investments in partially owned entities		44,907		510,105
Other assets		86,394		61,372
	\$	7,831,151	\$	4,170,683
Total assets	Ф	7,831,131	φ	4,170,003
Liabilities and equity				
Liabilities:	e.		e	
Borrowings under revolving line of credit	\$		\$	250.062
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		552,547		350,963
Mortgage notes, senior unsecured notes and term loan – net of deferred financing costs of \$15,952 and \$12,996 in the aggregate, at December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively		2,648,266		1,695,447
Sale-leaseback financing obligations		185,060		115,759
Financing lease obligations		125,926		58,170
Operating lease obligations		269,147		62,342
Unearned revenue		19,209		16,423
Pension and postretirement benefits		9,145		12,706
Deferred tax liability – net		220,502		17,119
Multiemployer pension plan withdrawal liability		8,528		8,736
Total liabilities				
Commitments and contingencies (see Commitments and Contingencies footnote 19)		4,038,330		2,337,665
Equity Shareholders' equity:				
Common shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value – 325,000,000 and 250,000,000 authorized shares; 251,702,603 and				
191,799,909 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively		2,517		1,918
Paid-in capital		4,687,823		2,582,087
Accumulated deficit and distributions in excess of net earnings		(895,521)		(736,861
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(4,379)		(14,126
Total shareholders' equity		3,790,440		1,833,018
Noncontrolling interests:				
Noncontrolling interests in operating partnership		2,381		_
		3,792,821		1,833,018
Total equity				
Total equity  Total liabilities and equity	\$	7,831,151	\$	4,170,683

# Americold Realty Trust and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Operations

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

(In thousands, except per share amounts)						
			rs E	nded Decembe	r 31,	2010
Revenues:		2020		2019		2018
Rent, storage and warehouse services	\$	1,549,314	¢	1,377,217	Φ.	1,176,912
Third-party managed services	Φ	291.751	Ψ	252,939	ψ	259,034
Transportation services		142,203		144,844		158,790
Other		4,459		8,705		8,899
Total revenues		1,987,727		1,783,705		1,603,635
Operating expenses:		1,967,727		1,765,705		1,003,033
Rent, storage and warehouse services cost of operations		1,028,981		929,626		802,378
Third-party managed services cost of operations		279,523		241,178		244,274
Transportation services cost of operations		123,396		126,777		143,055
Cost of operations related to other revenues		4,329		7,867		8,279
Depreciation and amortization		215,891		163,348		117,653
Selling, general and administrative		144,738		129,310		117,033
Acquisition, litigation and other		36,306		40,614		3,935
Impairment of long-lived assets		8,236		13,485		747
(Gain) loss from sale of real estate		(22,124)		34		(7,471)
		1,819,276	_	1,652,239		
Total operating expenses		1,819,270		1,032,239		1,423,675
Operating income		168,451		131,466		179,960
Other (expense) income:						
Interest expense		(91,481)		(94,408)		(93,312)
Interest income		1,162		6,286		3,996
Bridge loan commitment fees		(2,438)		(2,665)		
Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and termination of derivative instruments		(9,975)		(2,003)		(47,559)
Foreign currency exchange (loss) gain, net		(45,278)		10		2,882
Other expense, net		(2,563)		(1,870)		(532)
Loss from partially owned entities		(250)		(111)		(1,069)
Gain from sale of partially owned entities		(230)		4,297		(1,007)
Income before income tax benefit		17,628	_	43,005	_	44,366
Income tax benefit:		17,020		+3,003		44,300
Current		(6,805)		(5,544)		467
Deferred		13,732		10,701		3,152
Total income tax benefit	<u> </u>	6,927		5,157		3,619
Total income tax benefit		0,927		3,137		3,019
Net income	\$	24,555	\$	48,162	\$	47,985
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	Ψ	15	Ψ	40,102	Ψ	47,765
-	\$	24,540	\$	48,162	\$	47,985
Net income attributable to Americold Realty Trust	Φ	24,340	Φ	40,102	Ψ	
Less distributions on preferred shares of beneficial interest - Series A		_		_		(1)
Less distributions on preferred shares of beneficial interest - Series B					Φ.	(1,817)
Net income available to common shareholders of beneficial interest	\$	24,540	\$	48,162	\$	46,167
Weighted average common shares outstanding – basic		203,255		179,598		141,415
Weighted average common shares outstanding – diluted		206,940		183,950		144,338
Net income per common share of beneficial interest - basic	\$	0.11	\$	0.26	\$	0.31
Net income per common share of beneficial interest - diluted	\$	0.11	\$	0.26	\$	0.31
The median per common share of beneficial interest - unuted	<del>*</del>	0.11	_	0.20	_	0.51

# Americold Realty Trust and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

(In thousands)

(In the distinct)					
	24,555     \$ 48,162     \$ 4       1,433     3,269       9,944     (3,388)     (1       (1,630)     (1,492)       9,747     (1,611)     (12				
	2020		2019		2018
Net income	\$ 24,555	\$	48,162	\$	47,985
Other comprehensive income (loss) - net of tax:					
Adjustment to accrued pension liability	1,433		3,269		(901)
Change in unrealized net gain (loss) on foreign currency	9,944		(3,388)		(11,640)
Unrealized (loss) gain on cash flow hedge	(1,630)		(1,492)		256
Other comprehensive income (loss) - net of tax	 9,747		(1,611)		(12,285)
Other comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests	4		_		
Total comprehensive income attributable to Americold Realty Trust	\$ 34,306	\$	46,551	\$	35,700

# Americold Realty Trust and Subsidiaries

# Consolidated Statements of Equity

(In thousands, except shares)

Preferred Shares of

				Common Shares of Beneficial Interest		Accumulated Deficit and Distributions	Accumulated Other	
	Number of Shares	Par Value	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid-in		Comprehensive	Total Equity
Balance - December 31, 2017	125	\$ —	69,370,609	694 \$	394,082 \$	(581,470)	\$ (230)	\$ (186,924)
Net income	_	_	_	_	_	47,985	_	47,985
Other comprehensive loss	_	_	_	_	_	_	(9,492)	(9,492)
Distribution on preferred shares of beneficial interest - Series A	(125)	_	_	_	(133)	(1)	_	(134)
Distributions on preferred shares of beneficial interest - Series B	_	_	_	_	_	(1,817)	_	(1,817)
Distributions on common shares of beneficial interest	_	_	_	_	_	(104,976)	_	(104,976)
Share-based compensation expense	_	_	_	_	8,556	_	_	8,556
Share-based compensation expense (modification of Restricted Stock Units)	_	_	_	_	2,042	_	_	2,042
Common share issuance related to share-based payment plans, net of shares withheld for employee taxes	_	_	1,847,274	18	2,649	_	_	2,667
Warrants exercise	_	_	6,426,818	64	(64)		_	_
Issuance of common shares	_	_	37,350,000	374	576,964	_	_	577,338
Conversion of mezzanine Series B Preferred shares	_	_	33,240,258	332	372,459	_	_	372,791
Other	_	_	_	_	(422)	1,934	(2,793)	(1,281)
Balance - December 31, 2018		\$	148,234,959	1,482 \$	1,356,133 \$	(638,345)	\$ (12,515)	\$ 706,755

# Americold Realty Trust and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Equity (Continued)

(In thousands, except shares)

	Common Sha Beneficial Int			Accumulated Deficit and Distributions in Excess of Net	Accumulated Other Comprehensive	
	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid-in Capital	Earnings	Loss	Total Equity
Balance - December 31, 2018	148,234,959 \$	1,482	\$ 1,356,133	\$ (638,345) \$	(12,515) \$	706,755
Net income	_	_	_	48,162	_	48,162
Other comprehensive loss	_	_	_	_	(1,611)	(1,611)
Distributions on common shares of beneficial interest	_	_	_	(146,590)	_	(146,590)
Share-based compensation expense	_	_	12,822	_	_	12,822
Share-based compensation expense (modification of Restricted Stock Units)	_	_	3,044	_	_	3,044
Common share issuance related to share-based payment plans, net of shares withheld for employee taxes	1,502,450	15	3,461	_	_	3,476
Issuance of common shares	42,062,500	421	1,206,627	_	_	1,207,048
Other		_	_	(88)	_	(88)
Balance - December 31, 2019	191,799,909 \$	1,918	\$ 2,582,087	\$ (736,861) \$	(14,126) \$	1,833,018

# Americold Realty Trust and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Equity (Continued)

(In thousands, except shares)

_	Common Shar Beneficial Into			Accumulated Deficit and Distributions in Excess of Net	Accumulated Other Comprehensive	Noncontrolling interests in Operating	
	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid-in Capital	Earnings	Loss	Partnership	<b>Total Equity</b>
Balance - December 31, 2019	191,799,909 \$	1,918	\$ 2,582,087	\$ (736,861)	\$ (14,126)	s —	\$ 1,833,018
Net income	_	_	_	24,540	_	15	24,555
Other comprehensive income	_	_	_	_	9,747	4	9,751
Distributions on common shares of beneficial interest	_	_	_	(182,700)	_	(241)	(182,941)
Share-based compensation expense	_	_	15,259	_	_	2,603	17,862
Common share issuance related to share-based payment plans, net of shares withheld for employee taxes	574,599	6	286	_	_	_	292
Issuance of common shares	45,161,428	451	1,578,208	_	_	_	1,578,659
Issuance of common shares as consideration in the Agro acquisition	14,166,667	142	511,983	_	_	_	512,125
Cumulative effect of accounting change (refer to Note 2)	_	_	_	(500)	_	_	(500)
Balance - December 31, 2020	251,702,603 \$	2,517	\$ 4,687,823	\$ (895,521)	\$ (4,379)	\$ 2,381	\$ 3,792,821

# Americold Realty Trust and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

In	thousands)
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Years Ended December 31,

		2020	2019		2018
Operating activities:	ø	24 555	¢ 40.173	¢	47.00
Net income	\$	24,555	\$ 48,162	2	47,98
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		215 001	162.240		117.6
Depreciation and amortization		215,891	163,348		117,6
Amortization of deferred financing costs and pension withdrawal liability  Amortization of above/below market leases		5,147	6,028		6,1
		152	151		1
Loss on debt extinguishment and modification		1,995			28,4
Loss (gain) from foreign exchange		45,278	(10)	)	(2,8
Loss from investments in partially owned entities		250	111		1,0
Gain from sale of partially owned entities			(4,297)	)	0.4
Share-based compensation expense		17,897	12,822		8,6
Share-based compensation expense (modification of restricted stock units)			3,044		2,0
Deferred tax benefit		(13,732)	(10,701)	1	(3,1
(Gain) loss from sale of real estate		(22,124)	34		(7,4
Loss (gain) on other asset disposals		2,494	870		(1
Impairment of long-lived assets		8,236	13,485		7
Provision for doubtful accounts receivable		5,356	1,218		2,3
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable		(12,897)	(3,681)	)	(1,9
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		19,471	841		(5,2
Other		(4,289)	4,764		(6,2
Net cash provided by operating activities		293,680	236,189		188,1
nvesting activities:					
Return of investment in joint venture		_	2,000		
Proceeds from sale of investments in partially owned entities		154	14,250		
Proceeds from sale of property, buildings and equipment		80,193	1,151		19,
Business combinations, net of cash acquired		(1,858,937)	(1,319,905)	)	
Acquisitions of property, buildings and equipment, net of cash acquired		(25,538)	(85,216)	)	
Additions to property, buildings and equipment		(376,817)	(217,214)	)	(145,2
Cash paid for investment in joint venture		(26,229)	_		
Proceeds from the settlement of net investment hedges, net		3,034	_		
Proceeds from the settlement of foreign currency forward contract		877,365	_		
Payment in settlement of foreign currency forward contract		(922,350)	_		
Net cash used in investing activities		(2,249,125)	(1,604,934)		(125,7
inancing activities:		( ) , , ,			,
Distributions paid on beneficial interest shares – preferred – Series A		_	_		(1
Distributions paid on beneficial interest shares – preferred – Series B		_	_		(1,8
Distributions paid on common shares and noncontrolling interests in operating partnership		(167,086)	(135,443)		(76,5
Proceeds from revolving line of credit		636,753	100,000		(, ,,,
Repayment of revolving line of credit		(627,075)	(100,000)		
Proceeds from stock options exercised		6,748	10,204		14,8
Remittance of withholding taxes related to employee share-based transactions		(6,953)	(7,063)		(12,6
Payment of underwriters' costs		(0,755)	(7,005)	'	(8,2
Reimbursement of underwriters' costs					8,9
Repayment of sale-leaseback financing obligations		(3,774)	(3,161)		(2,5
Repayment of financing lease obligations		(19,970)	(13,339)		(10,3
Payment of debt issuance costs  Repayment of term loans, mortgage notes, notes payable and construction loans		(10,076)	(2,062)		(16,5
		(156,750)	(10,392)	)	(1,522,3
Proceeds from senior unsecured notes		922,350	350,000		600,0
Proceeds from term loans		177,075	_		525,0
Proceeds from construction loans			-		1,0
Net proceeds from issuance of common shares		1,578,659	1,206,627		586,2
Net cash provided by financing activities		2,329,901	1,395,371		84,9
Net increase in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		374,456	26,626		147,4
Effect of foreign currency translation on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		5,982	(110)		(3,2
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash:					
Beginning of period		240,613	214,097		69,9
End of period	\$	621,051	\$ 240,613	\$	214,0

# Americold Realty Trust and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Continued)

(In thousands)

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	2020	Years	Years Ended December 31,		2010	
C	2020		2019		2018	
Supplemental disclosures of non-cash investing and financing activities:  Common shares issued as consideration for Agro acquisition	\$ 51	2,125 \$		\$		
Deferred cash consideration for foreign investment in real property tax		9,710 \$	_	\$	_	
Addition of property, buildings and equipment on accrual		51,115 \$	51,335	\$	18,799	
Addition of fixed assets under financing lease obligations		8,858 \$		\$	13,290	
Addition of fixed assets under operating lease obligations  Addition of fixed assets under operating lease obligations		4,919 \$		\$	13,290	
Addition of fixed assets under operating lease obligations	\$	4,717 A	12,492	Ф	_	
Supplemental disclosures of cash flows information:						
Interest paid – net of amounts capitalized	\$	2,775 \$	68,016	\$	85,595	
Income taxes paid – net of refunds	\$	1,485 \$	2,207	\$	5,509	
	As of Decem	ber 31. A	as of December 31,			
Allocation of purchase price of property, buildings and equipment to:	2020	,	2019			
Land	<u>\$</u>	3,233 \$	23,439			
Building and improvements	•	5,940	41,913			
Machinery and equipment		6,022	19,027			
Identifiable intangible assets		140	854			
Other assets and liabilities, net		303	1,577			
Cash paid for acquisition of property, buildings and equipment	\$ 2	25,638 \$				
Cash paid for acquisition of property, buildings and equipment	Ψ	Ψ	00,010			
	As of Decem	ber 31. A	s of December 31,			
	2020	,	2019			
Allocation of purchase price to business combinations:						
Land	\$ 1	57,989 \$	65,074			
Buildings and improvements	1,1	76,924	706,795			
Machinery and equipment	3:	22,652	162,389			
Assets under construction		308	16,974			
Operating and finance lease right-of-use assets	2	68,633	1,336			
Cash and cash equivalents		57,456	4,977			
Restricted cash		_	526			
Accounts receivable		96,992	22,959			
Goodwill	47	0,987	132,527			
Acquired identifiable intangible assets:						
Customer relationships	52	8,517	266,633			
Trade names and trademarks		_	1,623			
Investments in partially owned entities		21,638	_			
Other assets		20,405	7,127			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(9	7,964)	(45,000)			
Notes payable	,		(3,878)			
rotes payable						
	(7	3,075)	_			
Sale-leaseback financing obligations Operating and financing lease obligations	,	3,075) 8,500)	(1,336)			
Sale-leaseback financing obligations	(26		) –			

 $See\ accompanying\ notes\ to\ consolidated\ financial\ statements.$ 

Total consideration, including common shares issued and deferred consideration

2,478,228

\$

1,325,408

## 1. Description of the Business

## The Company

Americold Realty Trust, together with its subsidiaries (ART, the Company, or we) is a real estate investment trust (REIT) organized under Maryland law. The Company is the world's largest publicly traded REIT focused on the ownership, operation and development of temperature-controlled warehouses. The Company is organized as a self-administered and self-managed REIT with proven operating, acquisition and development experience. As of December 31, 2020, we operated a global network of 238 temperature-controlled warehouses encompassing over 1.4 billion cubic feet, with 194 warehouses in North America, 26 in Europe, 15 warehouses in Asia-Pacific, and 3 warehouses in South America.

During 2010, the Company formed a Delaware limited partnership, Americold Realty Operating Partnership, L.P. (the Operating Partnership), and transferred substantially all of its interests in entities and associated assets and liabilities to the Operating Partnership. This structure is commonly referred to as an umbrella partnership REIT or an UPREIT structure. The REIT is the sole general partner of the Operating Partnership, owning 99% of the common general partnership interests as of December 31, 2020. Americold Realty Operations, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of the REIT, is a limited partner of the Operating Partnership, owning less than 1% of the common general partnership interests as of December 31, 2020. Additionally, the aggregate partnership interests of all other limited partners was less than 0.1% as of December 31, 2020. As the sole general partner of the Operating Partnership, the REIT has full, exclusive and complete responsibility and discretion in the day-to-day management and control of the Operating Partnership. The limited partners of the Operating Partnership do not have rights to replace Americold Realty Trust as the general partner nor do they have participating rights, although they do have certain protective rights. The terms "Americold," the "Company," "we," "our" and "us" refer to Americold Realty Trust and all of its consolidated subsidiaries, including the Operating Partnership.

No limited partner shall be liable for any debts, liabilities, contracts or obligations of the Operating Partnership. A limited partner shall be liable to the Operating Partnership only to make payments of capital contribution, if any, as and when due. After a capital contribution is fully paid, no limited partner shall, except as otherwise may be legally required under Delaware law, be required to make any further contribution or other payments or lend any funds to the Operating Partnership. The limited partners of the Operating Partnership do not have rights to replace Americold Realty Trust as the general partner nor do they have participating rights, although they do have certain protective rights.

The Company grants Operating Partnership Profit Units (OP Units) to certain members of the Board of Trustees and certain members of management of the Company, which are described further in Note 15. These units represent noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership that are not owned by Americold Realty Trust.

On March 9, 2020, the Company filed Articles of Amendment to the Company's Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland to increase the number of authorized common shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value per share, from 250,000,000 to 325,000,000. The Articles of Amendment were effective upon filing. The Company also has 25,000,000 authorized preferred shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value per share; however, none are issued or outstanding as of December 31, 2020.

The Operating Partnership includes numerous disregarded entities ("DRE"). Additionally, the Operating Partnership conducts various business activities in North America, Europe, Asia-Pacific, and South America through several wholly-owned taxable REIT subsidiaries (TRSs).

## **Recent Capital Markets Activity**

At the Market (ATM) Equity Program

On August 26, 2019, the Company entered into an equity distribution agreement pursuant to which we may sell, from time to time, up to an aggregate sales price of \$500.0 million of our common shares through an ATM Equity Program ("the 2019 ATM Equity Program"). Sales of our common shares made pursuant to the 2019 ATM Equity Program may be made in negotiated transactions or transactions that are deemed to be "at the market" offerings as defined in Rule 415 under the Securities Act, including sales made directly on the NYSE, or sales made to or through a market maker other than on an exchange, or as otherwise agreed between the applicable Agent and us. Sales may also be made on a forward basis pursuant to separate forward sale agreements. There were no common shares sold under the 2019 ATM Equity Program.

On April 16, 2020, the 2019 ATM Equity Program was terminated and replaced with the 2020 ATM Equity Program. Under the 2020 ATM Equity Program, we may sell, from time to time, up to an aggregate sales price of \$500.0 million of the Company's common shares. We intend to use the net proceeds from sales of our common shares pursuant to the 2020 ATM Equity Program for general corporate purposes, which may include funding acquisitions and development projects.

During the year ended December 31, 2020, there were 7,440,532 common shares sold under the 2020 ATM Equity Program, resulting in gross proceeds of \$272.6 million. The proceeds were offset by equity issuance costs of \$3.0 million. Included in the shares sold under the 2020 ATM Equity Program were forward sale agreements in connection with the 2020 ATM Equity Program to sell 4,346,101 common shares for gross proceeds of \$162.2 million. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company settled 5,011,428 common shares for gross proceeds of \$183.0 million under its ATM equity program. Pursuant to the respective forward sale agreements, the remaining 2,428,604 of shares must be settled by September 1, 2021 for gross proceeds of \$89.6 million.

After considering the common shares issued during 2020 and the shares subject to the forward sale agreements, the Company had approximately \$227.4 million of availability remaining for distribution under the 2020 ATM Equity Program as of December 31, 2020.

### Universal Shelf Registration Statement

In connection with filing the ATM Equity Offering Sales Agreement on April 16, 2020, the Company and the Operating Partnership filed with the SEC an automatic shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (Registration Nos. 333-237704 and 333-237704-01) (the "Registration Statement"), registering an indeterminate amount of (i) the Company's common shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value per share, (ii) the Company's preferred shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value per share, (iii) depositary shares representing entitlement to all rights and preferences of fractions of the Company's preferred shares of a specified series and represented by depositary receipts, (iv) warrants to purchase the Company's common shares or preferred shares or depositary shares and (v) debt securities of the Operating Partnership, which will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the Company.

## October 2020 Follow-On Public Offering

On October 13, 2020, the Company completed an underwritten registered public offering pursuant to forward sale agreements in which the forward purchasers borrowed and sold to the underwriters in the public offering 31,900,000 common shares, as well as an option for the underwriters to purchase 4,785,000 additional common shares. The initial forward sale price was \$36.67 per share, which is the public offering price per share, less the underwriting discount per share. On November 9, 2020, the underwriters exercised in full its option to purchase the additional 4,785,000 common shares. The initial forward for 31,900,000 common shares was settled on December 29, 2020, and the proceeds were used to fund the cash portion of the Agro Merchants Group ("Agro") acquisition, which closed on December 30, 2020. The 4,785,000 forward shares remain outstanding as of December 31, 2020.

## Agro Acquisition Shares

In the Agro transaction, the Company acquired 46 temperature-controlled facilities operated in the United States, Europe, Asia-Pacific, and South America, and a minority equity interest in a Brazilian joint venture. In addition to the cash portion of the purchase price of the Agro acquisition discussed above, at closing on December 30, 2020, the Company also issued 14,166,667 common shares (the "Acquisition Shares") to Oaktree Capital Management L.P. ("Oaktree") and Agro management.

## **Recent Acquisitions and Investments in Joint Ventures**

On December 30, 2020, the Company completed the acquisition of privately-held Agro from an investor group led by funds managed by Oaktree for consideration of \$1.59 billion, including cash received of \$47.5 million. This was comprised of cash consideration totaling \$1.08 billion, of which \$49.7 million was deferred, and the issuance of 14,166,667 common shares of beneficial interest to Oaktree and Agro management, with a fair value of \$512.1 million based upon the closing share price on December 29, 2020 of \$36.15. Financing lease and sale-leaseback obligations associated with the acquisition totaled \$119.9 million and when added to the total consideration transferred brings the total transaction cost to approximately \$1.7 billion.

On November 2, 2020, the Company acquired Hall's Warehouse Corporation (Hall's) for \$489.2 million. The acquisition was funded using proceeds from our 2020 ATM equity forward sale agreements combined with funds drawn on our 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility.

On August 31, 2020, the Company acquired AM-C Warehouses (AM-C) for approximately \$82.7 million. The acquisition was funded using cash on hand.

On August 31, 2020, the Company acquired Caspers Cold Storage (Caspers) for \$25.6 million. The consideration paid by the company was funded using cash on hand.

On March 6, 2020, the Company acquired a 14.99% ownership interest in Superfrio Armazéns Gerais S.A. (SuperFrio) for Brazil Reals of R\$117.8 million, or approximately USD \$25.7 million, inclusive of certain legal fees. The investment was funded using cash on hand.

On January 2, 2020, the Company completed the purchase of all outstanding membership interests of Newport Cold for cash consideration of \$57.7 million. The acquisition was funded using cash on hand.

On January 2, 2020, the Company completed the purchase of all outstanding shares of Nova Cold for C\$338.7 million (\$260.6 million USD). The acquisition was funded utilizing proceeds from the settlement of our

April 2019 forward sale agreement combined with cash drawn on our 2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility and cash on hand.

On November 19, 2019, the Company acquired MHW Group Inc. (MHW). The Company paid aggregate cash consideration of approximately \$51.6 million. The acquisition was funded using cash on hand.

On May 1, 2019, the Company acquired Lanier Cold Storage (Lanier). The Company paid aggregate cash consideration of approximately \$82.5 million. The acquisition was funded using cash on hand.

On May 1, 2019, the Company entered into an equity purchase agreement to acquire Cloverleaf. The Company refers to the completion of the acquisition of Cloverleaf pursuant to the executed purchase agreement as "the Cloverleaf Acquisition". The Company paid aggregate cash consideration of approximately \$1.24 billion. The acquisition was funded using net proceeds from the Company's equity offering that closed on April 22, 2019, along with funds drawn under the Company's senior unsecured revolving credit facility.

On February 1, 2019, the Company acquired PortFresh Holdings, LLC (PortFresh). The Company paid aggregate cash consideration of \$35.9 million. The acquisition was funded using cash on hand.

# 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Basis of Presentation and Principles of Consolidation**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. (GAAP). The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries where the Company exerts control. Investments in which the Company does not have control, and is not considered to be the primary beneficiary of a Variable Interest Entity (VIE), but where the Company exercises significant influence over the operating and financial policies of the investee, are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. Intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of (1) assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements, and (2) revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## **Significant Risks and Uncertainties**

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused, and is likely to continue to cause severe economic, market and other disruptions worldwide, which could lead to material impairments of our assets, increases in our allowance for credit losses and changes in judgments in determining the fair value of our assets. Conditions in the bank lending, capital and other financial markets may deteriorate, and our access to capital and other sources of funding may become constrained or more costly, which could materially and adversely affect the availability and terms of future borrowings, renewals, re-financings and other capital raises.

The Company is closely monitoring the impact of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic on all aspects of its business in all geographies, including how it will impact its customers and business partners. While the Company did not incur significant disruptions during the year ended December 31, 2020 from the COVID-19 pandemic, it continues to incur elevated labor related costs and incremental health and safety supplies costs but otherwise is unable to further predict the impact that the COVID-19 pandemic will have on its financial condition, results of operations and cash flows due to numerous uncertainties.

The extent to which COVID-19 impacts our operations will depend on future developments, which are highly uncertain and cannot be predicted with any degree of confidence, including the scope, severity, duration and geographies of the outbreak, the actions taken to contain the COVID-19 pandemic or mitigate its impact as requested or mandated by governmental authorities or otherwise voluntarily taken by individuals or businesses, and the direct and indirect economic effects of the illness and containment measures, among others. As a result, we cannot at this time predict the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, but it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, liquidity, results of operations and prospects.

## Property, Buildings and Equipment

Property, buildings and equipment is stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets or, if less, the term of the underlying lease. Depreciation begins in the month an asset is placed into service. Useful lives range from 5 to 43 years for buildings and building improvements and 3 to 12 years for machinery and equipment. For the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, the Company recorded depreciation expense of \$198.8 million, \$153.9 million and \$116.0 million, respectively. The Company periodically reviews the appropriateness of the estimated useful lives of its long-lived assets.

Costs of normal maintenance and repairs and minor replacements are charged to expense as incurred. When non-real estate assets are sold or otherwise disposed of, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed, and any resulting gain or loss is included in "Other expense, net" on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations. Gains or losses from the sale of real estate assets are reported in the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations as a component of operating expenses.

Costs incurred to develop software for internal use and purchased software are capitalized and included in "Machinery and equipment" on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. Capitalized software is amortized over the estimated life of the software which ranges from 3 to 10 years. Amortization of previously capitalized amounts was \$7.3 million, \$6.4 million and \$5.2 million for 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and is included in "Depreciation and amortization" on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Activity in real estate facilities during the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 is as follows:

	2020	2019		
	 (In thousands)			
Operating facilities, at cost:				
Beginning balance	\$ 3,729,589	\$	2,575,367	
Capital expenditures	287,220		177,268	
Acquisitions	1,662,650		975,045	
Newly developed warehouse facilities	58,807		21,316	
Disposition	(62,225)		(7,409)	
Impairment	(2,153)		(12,555)	
Conversion of leased assets to owned	7,956		_	
Impact of foreign exchange rate changes	24,916		557	
Ending balance	 5,706,760		3,729,589	
Accumulated depreciation:				
Beginning balance	(936,422)		(827,892)	
Depreciation expense	(146,237)		(114,512)	
Dispositions	8,731		6,679	
Impact of foreign exchange rate changes	(6,994)		(697)	
Ending balance	 (1,080,922)		(936,422)	
Total real estate facilities	\$ 4,625,838	\$	2,793,167	
Non-real estate assets	 296,212		197,835	
Total property, buildings and equipment and finance leases, net	\$ 4,922,050	\$	2,991,002	

The total real estate facilities amounts in the table above include \$165.2 million and \$76.8 million of assets under sale-leaseback agreements accounted for as a financing lease as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. The Company does not hold title in these assets under sale-leaseback agreements.

The Company recognized an impairment charge of \$3.7 million of Other segment assets related to the sale of the quarry completed on July 1, 2020, which resulted in a write-off of primarily "Land" on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. Additionally, the Company recognized an impairment charge of \$2.1 million of Managed segment assets related to the exit of two Canadian facilities; the write-off was primarily related to "Machinery and equipment" on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. During the fourth quarter of 2020, the Company recognized an impairment charge of \$1.2 million of Warehouse segment assets for costs incurred on a potential development project which the Company determined it would not move forward with; the write-off primarily related to "Assets under construction" on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. Additionally, during the fourth quarter of 2020, the Company recognized impairment of \$0.5 million of Warehouse segment assets related to refrigeration that were subsequently deemed unusable following the sale and exit of the Boston warehouse, which primarily impacted "Machinery and equipment" on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. Finally, the Company recognized an impairment charge of \$0.5 million of Warehouse segment assets primarily related to a development project with which the Company decided not to move forward, which was recorded under "Land" on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Boston facility was sold for a gain of \$20.1 million, which was recorded to "Gain on sale of real estate" in the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations, and primarily related to "Buildings and improvements" with lesser amounts related to "Machinery and equipment" and "Land" on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets.

In January 2020, the Company acquired four facilities, one of which was leased, in connection with the Nova Cold Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$171.9 million. Additionally in January 2020, the Company acquired one facility in connection with the Newport Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$30.2 million. In August 2020, the Company acquired two facilities in connection with the AM-C Warehouse Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$53.2 million. Additionally in August 2020, the Company acquired a single facility in connection with the Caspers Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$25.2 million. During the third quarter of 2020, the Company purchased two international facilities that were previously operated under a lease agreement for \$8.1 million. During November 2020, the Company acquired eight facilities in connection with the Hall's Acquisition, three of which were leased, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$332.7 million. On December 30, 2020, the Company completed the Agro Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$1.08 billion.

In addition to selling and purchasing facilities, the Company also continued investing in development projects. During the first quarter of 2020, the Company commenced operations in a public facility in Columbus, OH which was acquired as part of the Cloverleaf acquisition, which cost approximately \$7.0 million to construct. In addition, the Company commenced operations in a distribution facility in Savannah, GA, which was built on land that was acquired as part of the PortFresh acquisition, and cost approximately \$69.5 million to construct.

During the second quarter of 2020, the Company announced its agreement with Ahold Delhaize to build two fully automated build-to-suit warehouses in Lancaster, PA and Plainville, CT. Through December 31, 2020, the Company had invested \$73.3 million and \$74.8 million in these projects, respectively. During 2020, the Company commenced construction on its Auckland, New Zealand expansion. Through December 31, 2020, approximately \$22.0 million was invested in this project. In addition, during the fourth quarter of 2020, the Company announced two additional expansion projects in Russellville, Arkansas and Calgary, Canada. Through December 31, 2020, the Company has invested approximately \$11.7 million in the Russellville expansion and \$1.5 million in the Calgary expansion.

During 2019, the Company began the "Atlanta Major Market Strategy" which includes the partial redevelopment of an existing warehouse facility. The costs incurred for this ongoing project totaled \$92.8 million as of December 31, 2020. During the fourth quarter of 2019, the Company completed expansion projects at two legacy Cloverleaf facilities, Chesapeake, Virginia which totaled \$26.2 million and North Little Rock, Arkansas which totaled \$19.2 million.

## **Lease Accounting**

Arrangements wherein we are the lessee:

At the inception of a contract, we determine if the contract is or contains a lease. Leases are classified as either financing or operating based upon criteria within ASC 842, *Leases*, and a right-of-use (ROU) asset and liability are established for leases with an initial term greater than 12 months. Leases with an initial term of 12 months or less, and not expected to renew beyond 12 months, are not recorded on the balance sheet.

ROU assets represent our right to use an underlying asset for the lease term and lease liabilities represent our obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. ROU assets and liabilities are recognized at commencement date based on the present value of the lease payments over the lease term, as adjusted for prepayments, incentives and initial direct costs. ROU assets are subsequently measured at the value of the remeasured lease liability, adjusted for the remaining balance of the following, as applicable: lease incentives, cumulative prepaid or accrued rent and unamortized initial direct costs. When available, we use the rate implicit in the lease to discount lease payments to present value; however, most of our leases do not provide a readily determinable implicit rate. Therefore, we must estimate our incremental borrowing rate to discount the lease payments based on information available at lease commencement. We generally use our incremental borrowing rate based on the estimated rate of interest for collateralized borrowing over a similar term of the lease payments at commencement date. Our lease terms may include options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain that we will exercise that option. The depreciable lives of assets are limited by the expected lease term, unless there is a transfer of title or purchase option reasonably certain of exercise. Depreciation expense on assets acquired under financing leases is included in "Depreciation and amortization" on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations. Depreciation expense on assets acquired under operating leases is included within cost of operations for the respective segment the asset pertains to, or within "Selling, general and administrative" for corporate assets on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations. As with other long-lived assets, ROU assets are reviewed for impairment when events or change in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

Operating leases are included in "Operating lease right-of-use assets", "Accounts payable and accrued expenses" and "Operating lease obligations" on our Consolidated Balance Sheet. Financing lease assets are included in "Financing leases-net", "Accounts payable and accrued expenses" and "Financing lease obligations" on our Consolidated Balance Sheet.

## Arrangements wherein we are the lessor:

Each new lease contract is evaluated for classification as a sales-type lease, direct financing or operating lease. A lease is a sales-type lease if any one of five criteria are met, as outlined in ASC 842 each of which indicate the lease, in effect, transfers control of the underlying asset to the lessee. If none of those five criteria are met, but two additional criteria are both met, indicating we have transferred substantially all the risks and benefits of the underlying asset to the lessee and a third party, the lease is a direct financing lease. All leases that are not sales-type or direct financing leases are operating leases. We do not currently have any sales-type or direct financing leases.

For operating leases wherein we are the lessor, we assess the probability of payments at commencement of the lease contract and subsequently recognize lease income, including variable payments based on an index or rate, over the lease term on a straight-line basis. We continue to measure and disclose the underlying assets subject to operating leases based on our policies for application of ASC 360, *Property, Plant and Equipment*.

For all asset classes we have elected to not separate the lease and non-lease components which generally relate to taxes and common area maintenance. Additionally, we elected a practical expedient to present all funds collected from lessees for sales and other similar taxes net of the related sales tax expense. Our lease contracts are structured in a manner to reduce risks associated with the residual value of leased assets.

# **Impairment of Long-Lived Assets**

The Company reviews its long-lived assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances (such as decreases in operating income and declines in occupancy) indicate that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. A comparison is made of the expected future operating cash flows of the long-lived assets on an undiscounted basis to their carrying amounts.

If the carrying amounts of the long-lived assets exceed the sum of the expected future undiscounted cash flows, an impairment charge is recognized in an amount equal to the excess of the carrying amount over the estimated fair value of the long-lived assets, which the Company calculates based on projections of future cash flows and appraisals with significant unobservable inputs classified as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. The Company determined that individual warehouse properties constitute the lowest level of independent cash flows for purposes of considering possible impairment.

For the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, the Company recorded charges of \$8.2 million, \$13.5 million and \$0.7 million, respectively, as "Impairment of long-lived assets" on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations. Reference the paragraph above within the properties discussion for further details on impairment charges for the year ended December 31, 2020.

During the year ended December 31, 2019, the Company recorded impairment charges of \$13.5 million, of which \$12.6 million was related to Warehouse segment assets, and \$0.9 million was related to Transportation segment assets. During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company recorded an impairment charge of \$0.7 million of Warehouse segment assets related to an idle domestic warehouse facility in anticipation of a future sale of the asset, which was subsequently completed during the fourth quarter of 2018.

### **Capitalization of Costs**

Project costs that are clearly associated with the development of properties are capitalized as incurred. Project costs include all costs directly associated with the development of a property, including construction costs, interest, and costs of personnel working on the project. Costs that do not clearly relate to the projects under development are not capitalized and are charged to expense as incurred.

Capitalization of costs begins when the activities necessary to get the development project ready for its intended use commence, which include costs incurred before the beginning of construction. Capitalization of costs ceases when the development project is substantially complete and ready for its intended use. Determining when a development project commences and when it is substantially complete and ready for its intended use involves a degree of judgment. We generally consider a development project to be substantially complete and ready for its intended use upon receipt of a certificate of occupancy. If and when development of a property is suspended pursuant to a formal change in the planned use of the property, we will evaluate whether the accumulated costs exceed the estimated value of the project and write off the amount of any such excess accumulated costs. For a development project that is suspended for reasons other than a formal change in the planned use of such property, the accumulated project costs are written off. Capitalized costs are allocated to the specific components of a project that are benefited.

During each of the years ended 2020, 2019 and 2018, we capitalized interest of approximately \$4.0 million, \$3.3 million, and \$3.2 million, respectively. During the years ended 2020, 2019 and 2018, we capitalized amounts relating to compensation and travel expense of associates direct and incremental to development of properties of approximately \$0.9 million, \$0.5 million, and \$0.6 million, respectively.

#### **Business Combinations**

For business combinations, the excess of purchase price over the net fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed is recorded as goodwill. In an asset acquisition where we have determined that the cost incurred differs from the fair value of the net assets acquired, we assess whether we have appropriately determined the fair value of the assets and liabilities acquired and we also confirm that all identifiable assets have been appropriately identified and recognized. After completing this assessment, we allocate the difference on a relative fair value basis to all assets acquired except for financial assets (as defined in ASC 860, *Transfers and Servicing*), deferred taxes, and assets defined as "current" (as defined in ASC 210, *Balance Sheet*).

Whether the acquired business is being accounted for as a business combination or an asset acquisition, the determination of fair values of identifiable assets and liabilities requires estimates and the use of valuation techniques. Significant judgment is involved specifically in determining the estimated fair value of the acquired land and buildings and improvements and intangible assets. For intangible assets, we typically use the excess earnings method. Significant estimates used in valuing intangible assets acquired in a business combination include, but are not limited to, revenue growth rates, customer attrition rates, operating costs and margins, capital expenditures, tax rates, long-term growth rates and discount rates. For land and buildings and improvements, we used a combination of methods including the cost approach to value buildings and improvements and the sales comparison approach to value the underlying land. Significant estimates used in valuing land and buildings and improvements acquired in a business combination include, but are not limited to estimates of indirect costs and entrepreneurial profit, which were added to the replacement cost of the acquired assets in order to estimate their fair value in the market.

## **Asset Acquisitions**

The Company acquired Caspers Warehouse in an asset acquisition on August 31, 2020 for \$25.6 million. The cost incurred in connection with this asset acquisition was allocated primarily to property, buildings and equipment.

The Company acquired MHW in an asset acquisition on November 19, 2019 for \$51.6 million. The cost incurred in connection with this asset acquisition was allocated primarily to property, buildings and equipment. Additionally, the purchase agreement included a call option to purchase land from the holder of the ground lease for \$4.1 million, which was exercised in January 2020.

The Company acquired PortFresh in an asset acquisition on February 1, 2019 for \$35.9 million. The cost incurred in connection with this asset acquisition was allocated primarily to property, buildings and equipment.

### **Bridge Loan Commitment Fees**

During the fourth quarter of 2020, we incurred costs of \$2.4 million related to unused bridge loan commitment fees in connection with the potential funding need to complete the Agro Acquisition which ultimately was not utilized. During the second quarter of 2019, we incurred costs of \$2.7 million related to unused bridge loan commitment fees in connection with the potential funding need to complete the Cloverleaf Acquisition which ultimately was not utilized. These costs are classified as a component of interest expense within the caption titled "Bridge loan commitment fees" and are presented within "Other expense" on the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations.

### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term liquid investments purchased with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value. As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Company held \$88.6 million and \$34.1 million, respectively, of cash and cash equivalents in bank accounts of its foreign subsidiaries.

#### **Restricted Cash**

Restricted cash relates to cash on deposit and cash restricted for the payment of certain property repairs or obligations related to warehouse properties collateralized by mortgage notes, cash on deposit for certain workers' compensation programs and cash collateralization of certain outstanding letters of credit, and payment of costs to administer and service the New Market Tax Credit ("NMTC") entity. Refer to Note 17 for further details of the New Market Tax Credit.

Restricted cash balances as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

		2020	2019
	•	(In thousands)	
2013 mortgage notes' escrow accounts	\$	1,157 \$	877
2013 mortgage notes' cash managed accounts		2,393	2,343
Cash on deposit for workers' compensation program in Australia		3,034	2,525
New market tax credit reserve accounts		584	565
Cash on deposit for workers' compensation program in United States		1,390	_
Agro Europe		2,956	_
Total restricted cash	\$	11,514 \$	6,310

#### **Accounts Receivable**

Accounts receivable are recorded at the invoiced amount. The Company periodically evaluates the collectability of amounts due from customers and maintains an allowance for doubtful accounts for estimated amounts uncollectable from customers. Management exercises judgment in establishing these allowances and considers the balance outstanding, payment history, and current credit status in developing these estimates. Specific accounts are written off against the allowance when management determines the account is uncollectable.

The following table provides a summary of activity of the allowance for doubtful accounts:

	 Salance at nning of year	Charged to expense/against revenue	Amounts written off, net of recoveries	Ba	lance at end of year
Allowance for doubtful accounts:		(In thous:	ands)		
Year ended December 31, 2018	\$ 5,309	1,969	(1,572)	\$	5,706
Year ended December 31, 2019	\$ 5,706	3,608	(2,387)	\$	6,927
Year ended December 31, 2020	\$ 6,927	7,161	(1,802)	\$	12,286

The Company records interest on delinquent billings within "Interest income" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations, offset by a bad debt provision equal to the amount of interest charged until collected.

#### **Identifiable Intangibles Assets**

Identifiable intangibles consist of a trade name and customer relationships.

#### Indefinite-Lived Asset

The trade name asset, with a carrying amount of \$15.1 million as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, relates to "Americold" and has an indefinite life; thus, it is not amortized. The Company evaluates the carrying value of its trade name each year as of October 1, and between annual evaluations if events occur or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of the trade name below its carrying amount. There were no impairments to the Company's trade name for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018.

#### Finite-Lived Assets

Customer relationship assets are the Company's largest finite-lived assets and are amortized over 18 to 25 years using a straight-line or accelerated amortization method dependent on the estimated benefits, which reflects the pattern in which economic benefits of intangible assets are expected to be realized by the Company. Customer relationship amortization expense for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 was \$15.3 million, \$7.9 million and \$0.8 million, respectively. The weighted-average remaining life of the customer relationship assets is 24.3 years as of December 31, 2020. The Company reviews these intangible assets for impairment when circumstances indicate the carrying amount may not be recoverable. There were no impairments to customer relationship assets for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018.

### Leasehold Interests - Below Market Leases, Above Market Leases and In-place Lease

In reference to certain temperature-controlled warehouses where the Company is the lessee in an acquired business, below-market and above-market leases are amortized on a straight-line basis over the remaining lease terms in a manner that adjusts lease expense to the market rate in effect as of the acquisition date. In reference to certain temperature-controlled warehouses where the Company has a tenant lease assigned through an acquisition, the resulting intangible asset is amortized over the remaining term of the tenant lease and recorded to amortization expense. There were no impairments to leasehold interests for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 or 2018.

### **Deferred Financing Costs**

Direct financing costs are deferred and amortized over the terms of the related agreements as a component of "Interest expense" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations. The Company amortizes such costs based on the effective interest rate or on a straight-line basis. The Company uses the latter approach when the periodic amortization approximates the amounts calculated under the effective-interest rate method. Deferred financing costs related to revolving line of credits are classified as other assets, whereas deferred financing costs related to debt are offset against the related principal balance, as applicable in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets.

#### Goodwill

The Company evaluates the carrying value of goodwill each year as of October 1 and between annual evaluations if events occur or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount. When evaluating whether goodwill is impaired, the Company compares the fair value of its reporting units to its carrying amounts, including goodwill. The Company estimates the fair value of its reporting units based upon a combination of the net present value of future cash flows and a market-based approach. Future cash flows are estimated based upon certain economic assumptions. The estimates of future cash flows are subject, but not limited to the following significant assumptions: revenue growth rates, operating costs and margins, capital expenditures, tax rates, long-term growth rates and discount rates, which are affected by expectations about future market and economic conditions. The assumptions are based on risk-adjusted growth rates and discount factors accommodating multiple viewpoints that consider the full range of variability contemplated in the current and potential future economic situations. The market-based multiples approach assesses the financial performance and market values of other market-participant companies. If the estimated fair value of each of the reporting units exceeds the corresponding carrying value, no impairment of goodwill exists. If a reporting unit's carrying amount exceeds its fair value, an impairment charge would be recorded for the difference in the fair value and carrying value. If the reporting unit carrying value exceeds the reporting unit fair value an impairment charge is recorded for the difference between fair value and carrying value, limited to the amount of goodwill in the reporting unit. There were no goodwill impairment charges for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018.

## **Revenue Recognition**

Revenues for the Company include rent, storage and warehouse services (collectively, Warehouse Revenue), third-party managed services for locations or logistics services managed on behalf of customers (Third-Party Managed Revenue), transportation services (Transportation Revenue), and revenue from the sale of quarry products (Other Revenue). The Company made an accounting policy election to exclude from the measurement of the transaction price all taxes assessed by a governmental authority that are both imposed on and concurrent with a specific revenue-producing transaction and collected by the entity from a customer (e.g., sales, use, value added, some excise taxes).

#### Warehouse Revenue

The Company's customer arrangements generally include rent, storage and service elements that are priced separately. Revenues from storage and handling are recognized over the period consistent with the transfer of the service to the customer. Multiple contracts with a single counterparty are accounted for as separate arrangements.

#### Third-Party Managed Revenue

The Company provides management services for which the contract compensation arrangement includes: reimbursement of operating costs, management fees, and contingent performance-based fees (Managed Services). Managed Services fixed fees are recognized as revenue as the management services are performed ratably over the service period. Managed Services performance-based fees are recognized ratably over the service period based on the likelihood of achieving performance targets.

Cost reimbursements related to Managed Services arrangements are recognized as revenue as the services are performed and costs are incurred. Managed Services fees and related cost reimbursements are presented on a

gross basis as the Company is the principal in the arrangement. Multiple contracts with a single counterparty are accounted for as separate arrangements.

#### Transportation Revenue

The Company records transportation revenue and expenses upon delivery of the product. Since the Company is the principal in the arrangement of transportation services for its customers, revenues and expenses are presented on a gross basis.

#### Other Revenue

Other revenue primarily includes the sale of limestone produced by the Company's quarry business. Revenues from the sale of limestone are recognized upon delivery to customers. We do not view the operation of the quarry as an integral part of our business, and as a result this business segment was subsequently sold on July 1, 2020.

### Contracts with Multiple Service Lines

When considering contracts containing more than one service to a customer, a contract's transaction price is pre-defined or allocated to each distinct performance obligation and recognized as revenue when, or as the performance obligation is satisfied, either over time as work progresses, or at a point in time. For contracts with multiple service lines or distinct performance obligations, the Company evaluates and allocates the contract's transaction price to each performance obligation using our best estimate of the standalone selling price of each distinct good or service in the contract. The primary method used to estimate standalone selling price is the expected cost plus a margin approach, under which the Company forecasts expected costs of satisfying a performance obligation and then adds an appropriate margin for that distinct good or service.

#### **Income Taxes**

The Company operates in a manner intended to enable it to continue to qualify as a REIT under Sections 856-860 of the Code. Under those sections, a REIT that distributes at least 100% of its REIT taxable income, as defined in the Code, as a dividend to its shareholders each year and that meets certain other conditions will not be taxed on that portion of its taxable income that is distributed to its shareholders for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Through cash dividends, the Company, for tax purposes, has distributed an amount equal to or greater than its REIT taxable income for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018. For all periods presented, the Company has met all the requirements to qualify as a REIT. Thus, no provision for federal income taxes was made for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, except as needed for the Company's U.S. Taxable REIT Subsidiaries (TRSs), and for the Company's foreign entities. To qualify as a REIT, an entity cannot have at the end of any taxable year any undistributed earnings and profits that are attributable to a non-REIT taxable year (undistributed E&P). The Company believes that it has no undistributed E&P as of December 31, 2020. However, to the extent there is a determination (within the meaning of Section 852(e)(1)) of the Code that the Company has undistributed earnings and profits (as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes) accumulated (or acquired from another entity) from any taxable year in which the Company (or any other entity that converts to a Qualified REIT Subsidiary (QRS) that was acquired during the year) was not a REIT or a QRS, the Company will take all necessary steps to permit the Company to avoid the loss of its REIT status, including, but not limited to: 1) within the 90-day period beginning on the date of the determination, making one or more qualified designated distributions (within the meaning of the Section 852(e)(2)) of the Code in an amount not less than such undistributed earnings and profits over the interest payable under section 852(e)(3) of the Code; and 2) timely paying to the IRS the interest payable under Section 852(e)(3) of the Code resulting from such a determination.

If the Company fails to qualify as a REIT in any taxable year, it will be subject to U.S. federal income taxes at regular corporate rates and may not be able to qualify as a REIT for the four subsequent taxable years. Even as a REIT, it may be subject to certain state and local income and franchise taxes, and to U.S. federal income and excise taxes on undistributed taxable income and on certain built-in gains.

The Company has elected TRS status for certain wholly-owned subsidiaries. This allows the Company to provide services at those consolidated subsidiaries that would otherwise be considered impermissible for REITs. Many of the foreign countries in which we have operations do not recognize REITs or do not accord REIT status under their respective tax laws to our entities that operate in their jurisdiction. Accordingly, the Company recognizes income tax expense for the U.S. federal and state income taxes incurred by the TRSs, taxes incurred in certain U.S. states and foreign jurisdictions, and interest and penalties associated with unrecognized tax benefit liabilities, as applicable.

#### Taxable REIT Subsidiary

The Company has elected to treat certain of its wholly owned subsidiaries as TRSs. A TRS is subject to U.S. federal and state income taxes at regular corporate tax rates. Thus, income taxes for the Company's TRSs are accounted for using the asset and liability method, under which deferred income taxes are recognized for (i) temporary differences between the financial reporting and tax bases of assets and liabilities and (ii) operating loss and tax credit carryforwards based on enacted tax rates expected to be in effect when such amounts are realized or settled.

The Company records a valuation allowance for deferred tax assets when it estimates that it is more likely than not that future taxable income will be insufficient to fully use a deduction or credit in a specific jurisdiction. In assessing the need for the recognition of a valuation allowance for deferred tax assets, we consider whether it is more likely than not that some portion, or all, of the deferred tax assets will not be realized and adjust the valuation allowance accordingly. We evaluate all significant available positive and negative evidence as part of our analysis. Negative evidence includes the existence of losses in recent years. Positive evidence includes the forecast of future taxable income by jurisdiction, tax-planning strategies that would result in the realization of deferred tax assets, reversal of existing deferred tax liabilities, and the presence of taxable income in prior carryback years. The underlying assumptions we use in forecasting future taxable income require significant judgment and take into account our recent performance. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets depends on the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which temporary differences are deductible or creditable.

The Company accrues liabilities when it believes that it is more likely than not that it will not realize the benefits of tax positions that it has taken in its tax returns or for the amount of any tax benefit that exceeds the cumulative probability threshold in accordance with ASC 740-10, *Uncertain Tax Positions*. The Company recognizes interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits within "Income tax (expense) benefit" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The unremitted earnings of certain foreign subsidiaries are considered to be indefinitely reinvested, except for Canada and Hong Kong. The Company changed its assertion for its Canadian subsidiaries in 2018 to begin repatriating its unremitted earnings to the U.S. starting in 2018. The Company was no longer permanently reinvested as of 2019 with regards to its investment in Hong Kong. The Company has elected to be indefinitely reinvested with regard to basis only in the investment of the foreign subsidiaries in the Agro acquisition. If our plans change in the future or if we elect to repatriate the unremitted earnings of our foreign subsidiaries, we would be subject to additional income taxes which could result in a higher effective tax rate. The Company has provided

for Canadian withholding taxes on unremitted earnings for which no indefinite assertion has been made. With respect to the foreign subsidiaries owned directly or indirectly by the REIT or Operating Partnership, any unremitted earnings would not be subject to additional U.S. income tax because the REIT would distribute 100% of such earnings or would receive a participation exemption.

#### **Pension and Post-Retirement Benefits**

The Company has defined benefit pension plans that cover certain union and nonunion associates. The Company also participates in multi-employer union defined benefit pension plans under collective bargaining agreements for certain union associates. The Company also has a post-retirement benefit plan to provide life insurance coverage to eligible retired associates. The Company also offers defined contribution plans to all of its eligible associates. Contributions to multi-employer union defined benefit pension plans are expensed as incurred, as are the Company's contributions to the defined contribution plans. For the defined benefit pension plans and the post-retirement benefit plan, an asset or a liability is recorded in the consolidated balance sheet equal to the funded status of the plan, which represents the difference between the fair value of the plan assets and the projected benefit obligation at the consolidated balance sheet date. The Company utilizes the services of a third-party actuary to assist in the assessment of the fair value of the plan assets and the projected benefit obligation at each measurement date. Certain changes in the value of plan assets and the projected benefit obligation are not recognized immediately in earnings but instead are deferred as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) and amortized to earnings in future periods.

## **Foreign Currency Gains and Losses**

The local currency is the functional currency for the Company's operations in Australia, Canada, Chile, Europe and New Zealand. For these operations, assets and liabilities are translated at the rates of exchange on the consolidated balance sheet date, while income and expense items are translated at average rates of exchange during the period. The resulting gains or losses arising from the translation of accounts from the functional currency into U.S. dollars are included as a separate component of equity in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) until a partial or complete liquidation of the Company's net investment in the foreign operation.

From time to time, the Company's foreign operations may enter into transactions that are denominated in a currency other than their functional currency. These transactions are initially recorded in the functional currency of the subsidiary based on the applicable exchange rate in effect on the date of the transaction. On a monthly basis, these transactions are remeasured to an equivalent amount of the functional currency based on the applicable exchange rate in effect on the remeasurement date. Any adjustment required to remeasure a transaction to the equivalent amount of functional currency is recorded in "Foreign currency exchange gain (loss), net" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations.

During the fourth quarter of 2018, the Company entered into two intercompany loan agreements, whereby the Australia and New Zealand entities borrowed from the U.S. entity. These intercompany loan agreements were denominated in the functional currency of the respective entities. The intercompany loan receivable balances as of December 31, 2020 are AUD \$153.5 million and NZD \$37.5 million, and are remeasured at the end of each month to the United States Dollar (USD) with any required adjustment recorded in "Foreign currency exchange (loss) gain, net" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses on the remeasurement of short-term intercompany loans denominated in currencies other than a subsidiary's functional currency are recognized as a component of foreign currency gain or loss, except to the extent that the transaction is effectively hedged. For loans that are effectively hedged, the transaction gains and losses on remeasurement are recorded to "Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)". Foreign currency

transaction gains and losses resulting from the remeasurement of long-term intercompany loans denominated in currencies other than a subsidiary's functional currency are recognized as a component of "Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)" if a repayment of these loans is not anticipated.

#### **Recently Adopted Accounting Standards**

Fair Value Measurement - Disclosure Framework

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-13, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Disclosure Framework – Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurement. This ASU modifies the disclosure requirements on fair value measurements. The ASU removes the requirement to disclose: the amount of and reasons for transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy; the policy for timing of transfers between levels; and the valuation processes for Level 3 fair value measurements. The ASU requires disclosure of changes in unrealized gains and losses for the period included in other comprehensive income (loss) for recurring Level 3 fair value measurements held at the end of the reporting period and the range and weighted average of significant unobservable inputs used to develop Level 3 fair value measurements. For public business entities, this guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019 with early adoption permitted. The Company adopted this standard effective January 1, 2020 on a prospective basis, and it did not have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

#### Credit Losses

Effective January 1, 2020, we adopted ASU 2016-13, Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments (also referred to as current expected credit losses, or "CECL"), using the modified retrospective transition method. This ASU amends the impairment model to utilize an expected loss methodology in place of the incurred loss methodology for financial instruments, including trade receivables, and off-balance sheet credit exposures. The amendment requires entities to consider a broader range of information to estimated expected credit losses, which may result in earlier recognition of losses. Upon adoption of the new standard, the Company recorded a non-cash cumulative effect adjustment to the opening accumulated deficit and distributions in excess of net earnings of \$0.5 million as of January 1, 2020.

As of December 31, 2020, we had \$975.5 million of assets in the scope of the credit loss standard. These assets consist primarily of cash equivalents measured at amortized cost and trade and other receivables. Counterparties associated with these assets are generally highly rated. The substantial majority of the allowance recorded on the aforementioned in-scope assets relates to our trade receivables and totaled \$12.3 million as of December 31, 2020.

#### Financial Instruments

In March 2020, FASB issued ASU 2020-03, *Codification Improvements to Financial Instruments*. This ASU improves and clarifies various financial instruments topics, including the current expected credit losses standard issued in 2016. The ASU includes seven different issues that describe the areas of improvement and the related amendments to GAAP, intended to make the standards easier to understand and apply by eliminating inconsistencies and providing clarifications. The amendments have different effective dates. The Company adopted this standard effective January 1, 2020, and it did not have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

### **Future Adoption of Accounting Standards**

Defined Benefit Plans

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-14, Compensation – Retirement Benefits – Defined Benefit Plans – General (Subtopic 715-20): Disclosure Framework – Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Defined Benefit Plans. This update amends ASC 715 to remove disclosures that are no longer considered cost beneficial, clarifies the specific requirements of disclosures, and adds disclosure requirements identified as relevant to defined benefit pension and other postretirement plans. The ASU's changes related to disclosures are part of the FASB's disclosure framework project. This guidance is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2020. Early adoption is permitted for all entities and the amendments in this update are required to be applied on a retrospective basis to all periods presented. The Company does not expect the provisions of ASU 2018-14 will have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes

In December 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-12, *Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes (Topic 740)*. This ASU is intended to simplify various aspects related to accounting for income taxes. ASU 2019-12 removes certain exceptions to the general principles in Topic 740 and also clarifies and amends existing guidance to improve consistent application. ASU 2019-12 is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2020, however, early adoption is permitted for all entities. The Company continues to assess the impact of adopting this standard and does not believe the adoption of ASU 2019-12 will have a material effect on its consolidated financial statements.

### Reference Rate Reform

In March 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-04, *Reference Rate Reform (Topic 848)*. This ASU contains practical expedients for reference rate reform related activities that impact debt, leases, derivatives and other contracts. The guidance in ASU 2020-04 is optional and may be elected over time as reference rate reform activities occur. During the first quarter of 2020, the Company has elected to apply the hedge accounting expedients related to probability and the assessments of effectiveness for future LIBOR-indexed cash flows to assume that the index upon which future hedged transactions will be based matches the index on the corresponding derivatives. Application of these expedients preserves the presentation of derivatives consistent with past presentation. The Company continues to evaluate the impact of the guidance and may apply other elections as applicable as additional changes in the market occur.

Investments - equity securities; Investments—Equity Method and Joint Ventures; Derivatives and Hedging

In January 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-01, *Investments—Equity Securities (Topic 321), Investments—Equity Method and Joint Ventures (Topic 323), and Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815).* The amendments in this ASU clarify the interaction between the accounting for investments in equity securities, equity method investments and certain derivatives instruments. The ASU is expected to reduce diversity in practice and increase comparability of the accounting for these interactions. This ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020. The adoption of this ASU is not expected to have any impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

#### **Other Presentation Matters**

#### Reclassifications

Certain immaterial, prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation on the Consolidated Statements of Equity.

The Consolidated Statements of Equity reflects the reclassification required in the prior period to condense the amount previously classified within 'Other' to be classified within 'Other comprehensive loss', both of which are a component of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss).

#### 3. Business Combinations

Acquisitions Completed During 2020

### **Acquisition of Nova Cold**

The Company completed the acquisition of privately-held Nova Cold on January 2, 2020 for total cash consideration of approximately C\$338.7 million, including cash received of C\$1.3 million, or \$260.6 million USD including cash received of \$1.0 million based upon the exchange rate between the CAD and USD on the closing date of the transaction. The acquisition accounting related to the consideration transferred primarily included \$34.8 million of land, \$106.1 million of buildings and improvements, \$30.6 million of machinery and equipment, \$64.6 million of goodwill, \$53.9 million of a customer relationship intangible asset and \$33.0 million of deferred tax liabilities, all of which are allocated to the Warehouse segment. The customer relationship asset has been assigned a useful life of 25 years and will be amortized on a straight-line basis. The goodwill recorded is primarily attributable to the strategic benefits of the acquisition including the expanded presence in the Canada market and leveraging integration experience to drive synergies. The Nova Cold acquisition was completed through the acquisition of stock in Canada; as a result, no tax basis in goodwill exists for Canadian tax purposes. Deferred taxes may not be recorded for deductible goodwill unless the tax basis exceeds the book basis; therefore, the Company recorded no deferred taxes for tax deductible goodwill for Canadian tax purposes. Deductible goodwill exists for U.S. federal income tax purposes and will be available to reduce taxable income at the REIT, including any Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income ("GILTI") inclusion associated with the foreign TRS acquired. The acquisition accounting was finalized within one year from the date of acquisition and is reflected within the Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2020. We have included the financial results of the acquired operations in our Warehouse segment since the date of the acquisition. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company recorded a measurement period adjustment of \$9.0 million as a reduction to its opening deferred tax liability of \$42.0 million originally recorded related to basis differences in fixed assets and net operating loss carryforwards. The adjustments recorded during the measurement period did not have a significant impact on our Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2020.

### **Acquisition of Newport**

The Company completed the acquisition of privately-held Newport on January 2, 2020 for total cash consideration of \$57.7 million, including cash received of \$1.0 million. The acquisition accounting related to the consideration transferred primarily included \$30.2 million of property, buildings and equipment, \$18.7 million of a customer relationship asset and \$7.1 million of goodwill, each of which are allocated to the Warehouse segment. The customer relationship intangible asset has been assigned a useful life of 25 years and will be amortized on a straight-line basis. The goodwill recorded is primarily attributable to the strategic benefits of the acquisition including the expanded presence in the Minneapolis-St. Paul market and leveraging integration experience to drive synergies. The Newport acquisition was completed through the acquisition of all of the membership interests of certain limited liability companies; the acquisition of all the membership interests allowed a portion of the goodwill recorded to be deductible for federal income tax purposes. Deferred taxes may not be recorded for deductible goodwill unless the tax basis exceeds the book basis; therefore, the Company recorded no deferred taxes for tax deductible goodwill as a result. Deductible goodwill will be available to reduce taxable income at both the REIT and its domestic TRS. The acquisition accounting was finalized within one year from the date of acquisition. We have included the financial results of the acquired operations in our Warehouse segment since the date of the acquisition. The adjustments recorded during the measurement period did not have a significant impact

on our Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2020.

### **Acquisition of AM-C Warehouses**

The Company completed the acquisition of privately-held AM-C Warehouses on August 31, 2020 for total cash consideration of \$82.7 million. The preliminary acquisition accounting related to the consideration transferred primarily included \$53.2 million of property, buildings and equipment, \$19.7 million of a customer relationship asset and \$10.4 million of goodwill, each of which are allocated to the Warehouse segment. The customer relationship intangible asset has been preliminarily assigned a useful life of 25 years and will be amortized on a straight-line basis. The goodwill recorded is primarily attributable to the strategic benefits of the acquisition including the expanded presence in the Dallas - Fort Worth market. The AM-C acquisition was completed through the acquisition of substantially all of the assets from the seller and the acquisition allowed goodwill recorded to be deductible for federal income tax purposes. Deferred taxes may not be recorded for deductible goodwill unless the tax basis exceeds the book basis; therefore, the Company recorded no deferred taxes for tax deductible goodwill as a result. Deductible goodwill will be available to reduce taxable income at both the REIT and its domestic TRS. As the valuation of certain assets and liabilities for purposes of purchase price allocations are preliminary in nature, they are subject to adjustment as additional information is obtained about the facts and circumstances regarding these assets and liabilities that existed at the acquisition date. Any adjustments to our estimates of acquisition accounting will be made in the periods in which the adjustments are determined and the cumulative effect of such adjustments will be calculated as if the adjustments had been completed as of the acquisition date. The preliminary acquisition accounting will be finalized within one year from the date of acquisition. We have included the financial results of the acquired operations in our Warehouse segment since the date of the acquisition. The adjustments recorded during the measurement period did not have a significant impact on our Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2020.

### Acquisition of Hall's Warehouses

The Company completed the acquisition of Hall's Warehouses on November 2, 2020 for total cash consideration of \$489.2 million, including cash received of \$7.9 million. A summary of the preliminary fair values of the assets

acquired and liabilities assumed is as follows (in thousands):

	Recog	ninary Amounts gnized as of the quisition Date
Assets		
Land	\$	29,352
Buildings and improvements		239,708
Machinery and equipment		63,596
Operating lease right-of-use assets		26,400
Cash and cash equivalents		7,894
Accounts receivable		11,894
Goodwill		42,737
Acquired identifiable intangibles:		
Customer relationships		102,732
Other assets		303
Total assets		524,616
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		4,006
Operating lease obligations		26,400
Deferred tax liability		5,012
Total liabilities		35,418
Total consideration for the Hall's acquisition	\$	489,198

The preliminary acquisition accounting is based upon the Company's estimates of fair value. The estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed and the related preliminary acquisition accounting are based on management's estimates and assumptions, as well as other information compiled by management, including the books and records of Hall's. Our estimates and assumptions are subject to change during the measurement period, not to exceed one year from the acquisition date. The primary areas of the preliminary acquisition accounting that are not yet finalized relate to the following: (i) finalizing the review and valuation of land, land improvements, building and machinery and equipment (including the models, key assumptions, estimates and inputs used) and assignment of remaining useful lives associated with the depreciable assets, (ii) finalizing the review and valuation of customer related intangible assets (including key assumptions, inputs and estimates), (iii) finalizing the valuation of certain in-place contracts or contractual relationships (including but not limited to leases), including determining the appropriate amortization period, (iv) finalizing our review of certain assets acquired and liabilities assumed, (v) finalizing the evaluation and valuation of certain legal matters and/or other loss contingencies, including those that we may not yet be aware of but meet the requirement to quality as a pre-acquisition contingency, and (vi) finalizing our estimate of the impact of acquisition accounting on deferred income taxes or liabilities. As the initial acquisition accounting is based on our preliminary assessments, actual values may differ (possibly materially) when final information becomes available that differs from our current estimates. Additionally, the total consideration transferred is subject to certain post-close adjustments. We believe that the information gathered to date provides a reasonable basis for estimating the preliminary fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed. We will continue to evaluate these items until they are satisfactorily resolved and adjust our acquisition accounting accordingly, within the allowable measurement period (not to

exceed one year from the date of acquisition), as defined by ASC 805.

The customer relationship intangible asset has been preliminarily assigned a preliminary useful life of 25 years and will be amortized on a straight-line basis. The goodwill recorded is primarily attributable to the strategic benefits of the acquisition including the expanded presence in the New Jersey market. We have included the financial results of the acquired operations in our Warehouse and Transportation segments since the date of the acquisition. This transaction will allow us to grow our market share with key customers while diversifying our overall customer base. All of the acquired facilities are located within 15 miles of each other and 30 miles of Newark Port. The Hall's acquisition was completed through the acquisition of the outstanding stock of certain Hall's entities and the direct purchase of real estate assets from the sellers. The acquisition allowed a portion of the goodwill recorded to be deductible for federal income tax purposes. Deductible goodwill will be available to reduce taxable income at both the REIT and potentially the domestic TRS.

#### **Acquisition of Agro**

The Company completed the acquisition of Agro on December 30, 2020 for total consideration of \$1.59 billion, including cash received of \$47.5 million. This was comprised of cash consideration totaling \$1.08 billion, of which \$49.7 million was deferred, and the issuance of 14,166,667 common shares of beneficial interest to Oaktree, with a fair value of \$512.1 million based upon the closing share price on December 29, 2020 of \$36.15. Financing lease and sale-leaseback obligations associated with the acquisition totaled \$119.9 million, as indicated in the table below, and when added to the total consideration transferred brings the total transaction cost to approximately \$1.7 billion. A summary of the preliminary fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities

assumed is as follows (in thousands):

	Preliminary Amounts Recognized as of the Acquisition Date
Assets	
Land	\$ 95,286
Buildings and improvements	778,170
Machinery and equipment	206,453
Operating lease right-of-use assets	191,229
Financing lease asset	46,845
Cash and cash equivalents	47,534
Accounts receivable	78,423
Goodwill	346,673
Acquired identifiable intangibles:	
Customer relationships	333,501
Investment in partially owned entities	21,638
Other assets	20,038
Total assets	2,165,790
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	90,860
Operating lease obligations	191,229
Financing lease obligations	46,845
Sale-leaseback obligations	73,075
Deferred tax liability	175,719
Total liabilities	577,728
Total consideration for the Agro acquisition	\$ 1,588,062

The fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed and the related preliminary acquisition accounting are based on management's estimates and assumptions, as well as other information compiled by management, including information from prior valuations of similar entities and the books and records of Agro. Our estimates and assumptions are subject to change during the measurement period, not to exceed one year from the acquisition date. The primary areas of the acquisition accounting that are not yet finalized relate to the following: (i) finalizing the review and valuation of land, land improvements, building and machinery and equipment (including the models, key assumptions, estimates and inputs used) and assignment of remaining useful lives associated with the depreciable assets, (ii) finalizing the review and valuation of customer related intangible assets (including key assumptions, inputs and estimates), (iii) finalizing our review of certain assets acquired and liabilities assumed, (iv) finalizing the valuation of certain in-place contracts or contractual relationships (including but not limited to leases), including determining the appropriate amortization period, (v) finalizing the evaluation and valuation of certain legal matters and/or other loss contingencies, including those that we may not yet be aware of but meet the requirement to quality as a preacquisition contingency, and (vi) finalizing our estimate of the impact of acquisition accounting on deferred income taxes or liabilities. To the extent possible, estimates or amounts recorded in Agro's books have been considered and recorded, as appropriate, for the items above based on the information available as of December 31, 2020. As the initial acquisition accounting is based on our preliminary assessments, actual values may differ (possibly materially) when final information becomes available. We believe that the information gathered to date provides a reasonable basis for estimating the preliminary fair values of

assets acquired and liabilities assumed. We will continue to evaluate these items until they are satisfactorily resolved and adjust our acquisition accounting accordingly, within the allowable measurement period (not to exceed one year from the date of acquisition), as defined by ASC 805.

As shown above, the Company recorded approximately \$346.7 million of goodwill related to the Agro Acquisition. There are several strategic benefits of the acquisition. It allows the Company to establish a strategic footprint in Europe, which enhances its ability to serve their multinational customers on a global scale. It also adds depth to the existing networks in North America, Australia and South America. Additionally, the portfolio comes with significant growth opportunities through potential future acquisitions, given Europe's fragmented temperature controlled storage industry. These factors contributed to the goodwill that was recorded upon consummation of the transaction. The Agro Acquisition was completed through the acquisition of stock of various Agro entities in the U.S. and foreign jurisdictions; as a result, no tax basis exists in each of these jurisdictions for tax purposes, except for minimal tax basis that existed prior to the acquisition. Goodwill for the Agro Acquisition has not yet been assigned to reporting units as of December 31, 2020 given the short period of time between the acquisition date, December 30, 2020, and year-end; however, we expect that the goodwill will be assigned to the Warehouse and Transportation segments during the measurement period. The Company's deemed asset elections for the foreign operations under IRC section 338 will reduce the US income taxability of future foreign profits under the Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income ("GILTI") regime.

Also shown above, in connection with the Agro Acquisition the Company recorded an intangible asset of approximately \$333.5 million for customer relationships which has been assigned a preliminary useful life of 25 years and will be amortized on a straight-line basis. Based on the discussion under goodwill above, the Agro Acquisition resulted in federal income tax deductibility for a minimal portion of the intangible assets. The deductible intangible assets will be available to reduce taxable income for the REIT and reduce any GILTI inclusion in the US associated with foreign entities acquired.

Acquisitions Completed During 2019

### **Acquisition of Cloverleaf**

The Company completed the acquisition of privately-held Cloverleaf on May 1, 2019. A summary of the final fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed for total cash consideration of \$1.24 billion, as well as adjustments made during the measurement period, is as follows (in thousands):

	Amounts Recognized as of the Acquisition Date		Measurement Period Adjustments (1)	Final Amounts Recognized as of the Acquisition Date (as Adjusted) <sup>(2)</sup>	
Assets					
Land	\$	59,363	\$ 1,131	\$ 6	0,494
Buildings and improvements		687,821	(19,670)	66	8,151
Machinery and equipment		144,825	822	14	5,647
Assets under construction		20,968	(3,994)	1	6,974
Operating lease right-of-use assets		1,254	<del>_</del>		1,254
Cash and cash equivalents		4,332	_		4,332
Restricted cash			526		526
Accounts receivable		21,358	220	2	1,578
Goodwill		107,643	18,453	12	6,096
Acquired identifiable intangibles:					
Customer relationships		241,738	8,608	25	0,346
Trade names and trademarks		1,623	_		1,623
Other assets		18,720	 (11,668)		7,052
Total assets		1,309,645	(5,572)	1,30	4,073
Liabilities					
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		30,905	12,598	4	3,503
Notes payable		17,179	(13,301)		3,878
Operating lease obligations		1,254	_		1,254
Unearned revenue		3,536	_		3,536
Pension and postretirement benefits		2,020	(2,020)		
Deferred tax liability		9,063	(39)		9,024
Total liabilities		63,957	(2,762)	6	1,195
<b>Total consideration for Cloverleaf acquisition</b>	\$	1,245,688	\$ (2,810)	\$ 1,24	2,878

<sup>(1)</sup> The adjustments recorded during the measurement period did not have a significant impact on our Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2020. The measurement period ended one year after the Cloverleaf Acquisition, on April 30, 2020.

All adjustments recorded during the measurement period were not material to the Consolidated Financial Statements. The final purchase price allocation is presented within the table above.

As shown above, the Company recorded approximately \$126.1 million of goodwill related to the Cloverleaf Acquisition. The strategic benefits of the acquisition include the Company's ability to add complementary customers into its network, provide an opportunity for growth in the Central and Southeast markets, deepen existing customer relationships, provide three expansion opportunities that were developed in 2020, and leverage integration experience to drive synergies. These factors contributed to the goodwill that was recorded upon

<sup>(2)</sup> The measurement period adjustments were primarily due to refinements to third party appraisals and refinements in carrying amounts of certain assets and liabilities, as well as adjustments to certain tax accounts based on, among other things, adjustments to deferred tax liabilities. The net impact of the measurement period adjustments results in a net increase to goodwill.

consummation of the transaction. The Cloverleaf acquisition was completed through the acquisition of both stock and partnership units; the acquisition of partnership units allowed a portion of the goodwill recorded as a result of the Cloverleaf Acquisition to be deductible for federal income tax purposes. The goodwill related to the Cloverleaf Acquisition has been substantially assigned to the Warehouse segment, with a de minimis amount assigned to the Transportation segment. Deferred taxes may not be recorded for deductible goodwill unless the tax basis in goodwill exceeds the book basis, and the Company has not recorded any deferred taxes as a result. Deductible goodwill will be available to reduce taxable income for both the REIT and its domestic TRS.

Also shown above, in connection with the Cloverleaf Acquisition the Company recorded an intangible asset of approximately \$250.3 million for customer relationships which has been assigned a useful life of 25 years, and approximately \$1.6 million for trade names and trademarks which has been assigned a useful life of 1.5 years. These intangible assets will be amortized on a straight-line basis over their respective useful lives. Based on the discussion under goodwill above, the Cloverleaf Acquisition resulted in federal income tax deductibility for a portion of the intangible assets. The deductible intangible assets will be available to reduce taxable income for both the REIT and its domestic TRS.

### **Acquisition of Lanier**

The Company completed the acquisition of privately-held Lanier on May 1, 2019 for total cash consideration of \$82.5 million, inclusive of cash received of \$0.6 million. The allocation of consideration primarily included \$60.0 million of property, buildings and equipment, \$6.4 million of goodwill, and \$16.3 million of customer relationship intangible assets. The customer relationship asset has been assigned a useful life of twenty-five years and will be amortized on a straight-line basis. The goodwill recorded is primarily attributable to the strategic benefits of the acquisition including the increased presence in the north Georgia poultry market and leveraging integration experience to drive synergies. The Lanier acquisition was completed through the acquisition of both stock and partnership units; the acquisition of partnership units allowed a portion of the goodwill recorded to be deductible for federal income tax purposes. Deferred taxes may not be recorded for deductible goodwill unless the tax basis exceeds the book basis, and the Company has not recorded any deferred taxes as a result. Deductible goodwill will be available to reduce taxable income at both the REIT and its domestic TRS. All adjustments recorded subsequent to the acquisition date were not material to the Consolidated Financial Statements. The final purchase price allocation was completed within one year from the date of acquisition and is reflected within our Consolidated Financial Statements as of December 31, 2020. We have included the financial results of the acquired operations in our Warehouse segment since the date of the acquisition.

#### **Pro Forma Consolidated Results (Unaudited)**

The following table presents the unaudited pro forma financial results as if the 2020 acquisition of Agro and Cloverleaf had occurred on January 1, 2019. The pro forma adjustments primarily relate to acquisition expenses, depreciation expense on acquired assets, amortization of acquired intangibles, and estimated interest expense related to financing transactions, the proceeds of which were used to fund the acquisitions of Cloverleaf and Agro.

On March 1, 2019, Cloverleaf acquired Zero Mountain, Inc. and Subsidiaries (Zero Mountain). As a result, we have included the results of operations of Zero Mountain in the below pro forma financial information. The pro forma adjustments made include the acquisition expenses incurred in connection with Cloverleaf's acquisition of Zero Mountain.

The accompanying unaudited pro forma consolidated financial statements exclude the results of the AM-C, Halls and Lanier acquisitions, which were deemed immaterial individually and in the aggregate based on quantitative

and qualitative considerations. Additionally, the Company has not presented pro forma combined results of operations for the acquisitions of Nova Cold and Newport, because the results of operations as reported in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations would not have been materially different. These statements are provided for illustrative purposes only and do not purport to represent what the actual Consolidated Statements of Operations of the Company would have been had the Agro and Cloverleaf acquisitions occurred on the dates assumed, nor are they necessarily indicative of what the results of operations would be for any future periods.

# Pro forma (unaudited) (in thousands, except per share data)

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2020	2019		
Total revenue	\$ 2,517,351	\$	2,380,458	
Net income	\$ 8,831	\$	79,671	
Net income per share, diluted <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0.04	\$	0.33	

<sup>(1)</sup> Pro forma net income available to common shareholders was adjusted to exclude \$22.7 million of acquisition related costs incurred by the Company in connection with the Agro Acquisition during the year ended December 31, 2020, and to include these charges in pro forma net income for the year ended December 31, 2019. Pro forma net income available to common shareholders was adjusted to exclude \$36.8 million of acquisition related costs incurred by Agro in connection with the Agro Acquisition during the year ended December 31, 2020. Pro forma net income available to common shareholders was adjusted to exclude \$26.6 million of acquisition related costs incurred by the Company in connection with the Cloverleaf Acquisition during the year ended December 31, 2019.

(2) Adjusted to give effect to the issuance of 46.1 million common shares in connection with the Agro Acquisition and 42.1 million common shares in connection with the Cloverleaf Acquisition.

Since the date of acquisition, total revenues of approximately \$152.8 million and net income of approximately \$9.0 million associated with properties and operations acquired in the Cloverleaf Acquisition are included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2019. The revenues and net income associated with properties and operations acquired in the Agro Acquisition included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2020 was immaterial as the acquisition closed on December 30, 2020.

### 4. Investments in Partially Owned Entities

As of December 31, 2020, our investment in partially owned entities accounted for under the equity method of accounting presented in our Consolidated Balance Sheets consists of the following (in thousands):

Joint Venture	Location	% Ownership	December 31, 2020
Superfrio	Brazil	14.99%	\$23,269
Comfrio	Brazil	22.12%	\$21,638

#### Superfrio Joint Venture

During the first quarter of 2020, the Company purchased a 14.99% equity interest in a joint venture with Superfrio Armazéns Gerais S.A. ("SuperFrio" or "Brazil JV") for Brazil reals of R\$117.8 million. Including certain transaction costs, the Company recorded an initial investment of USD \$25.7 million in the joint venture. SuperFrio is a Brazilian-based company that provides temperature-controlled storage and logistics services including storage, warehouse services, and transportation. The debt of the unconsolidated joint venture is non-recourse to the Company, except for customary exceptions pertaining to such matters as intentional misuse of funds, environmental conditions and material misrepresentations.

### Comfrio Joint Venture

As a result of the Agro acquisition which closed on December 30, 2020, the Company acquired Agro's 22.12% share of ownership in Agrofundo Brazil II Fundode Investimento em Participações ("FIP") or the "Comfrio" joint venture. The FIP owns all the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of Agro Improvement Participações S.A. ("Agro Improvement"), a sociedade anônima, duly organized and existing under the laws of Brazil. The Company has a call right that enables it to purchase all the issued and outstanding shares of Agro Improvement starting on January 1, 2019 through January 7, 2023. The FIP has a put right that requires the Company when exercised to purchase from it all the issued and outstanding shares of Agro Improvement starting on July 1, 2019 through January 7, 2023. The fair value of the call and put rights will be recorded through acquisition accounting finalization during the measurement period, and was not included in the preliminary acquisition accounting as of December 31, 2020.

The debt of the unconsolidated joint venture is non-recourse to the Company, except for customary exceptions pertaining to such matters as intentional misuse of funds, environmental conditions and material misrepresentations.

#### China Joint Venture

During 2010, the Company, through its wholly owned subsidiaries, made total cash investments of \$46.2 million in two newly-formed Hong Kong entities, China Merchants Americold Holdings Logistics Company Limited (CMAL) and China Merchants Americold Holdings Company Limited (CMAH, together with CMAL, the Joint Venture, or China JV). Through these subsidiaries, the Company acquired a 49% interest in the Joint Venture, while China Merchants Holdings International Company (CMHI) acquired the remaining 51% interest in the Joint Venture.

During the third quarter of 2019, the Company completed the sale of its equity interest in its China JV to an affiliate of its joint venture partner for total cash consideration of \$15.0 million. The resulting gain on the sale of

the China JV totaled \$4.3 million and is included in "Gain from sale of partially owned entities" on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations. The gain recorded includes \$2.6 million related to cumulative foreign currency translation historically recorded through Other Comprehensive Income which stemmed from the remeasurement of the foreign denominated equity-method investment in the China JV. The following tables summarize the financial information of the Company's China JV for the periods presented, prior to disposition.

The condensed summary financial information for the Company's China JV is as follows for the portion of the year which the Company held ownership interest in the China JV during 2019 and the full year ended December 31, 2018:

	2019						
Condensed results of operations	CMAL		CMAH	Total			
			(In thousands)				
Revenues	\$	28,334 \$	10,907 \$	39,241			
Operating (loss) income	\$	(348) \$	1,920 \$	1,572			
Net (loss) income	\$	(507)\$	1,018 \$	511			
Company's (loss) income from partially owned entities	\$	(429)\$	318 \$	(111)			
			2018				
Condensed results of operations		CMAL	CMAH	Total			
			(In thousands)				
Revenues	\$	37,458 \$	13,621 \$	51,079			
Operating (loss) income	\$	(1,748)\$	2,432 \$	684			
Net (loss) income	\$	(1,960)\$	1,651 \$	(309)			
Company's (loss) income from partially owned entities	\$	(1,419)\$	350 \$	(1,069)			

In addition to the China JV, the Company had an investment in a joint venture accounted for under the equity-method, for which a complete return of capital totaling \$2.0 million was received during the first quarter of 2019, eliminating the Company's involvement in the joint venture.

## 5. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

The changes in the carrying amount of the Company's goodwill by reportable segment for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 are as follows:

	 Warehouse	Third-party managed	Transportation	Unallocated Acquisitions	Total
			(In thousands)		
December 31, 2017	\$ 172,554 \$	3,064 \$	12,551	— \$	188,169
Impact of foreign currency translation	(1,658)	(174)	(242)	_	(2,074)
December 31, 2018	170,896	2,890	12,309	_	186,095
Goodwill acquired	130,919	_	1,452	_	132,371
Impact of foreign currency translation	9	(8)	16	<del>_</del>	17
December 31, 2019	 301,824	2,882	13,777	_	318,483
Goodwill acquired	116,275	_	8,546	346,673	471,494
Purchase price allocation adjustments	1,115		_	_	1,115
Impact of foreign currency translation	2,513	379	351	_	3,243
December 31, 2020	\$ 421,727 \$	3,261 \$	22,674	\$ 346,673 \$	794,335

The goodwill acquired in 2019 primarily related to the Cloverleaf and Lanier acquisitions in the Warehouse segment. The goodwill acquired in 2020 related to the AM-C, Newport and Nova Cold acquisitions and was allocated to the Warehouse segment. The goodwill resulting from the Hall's acquisition in 2020 was allocated between the Warehouse and Transportation segments. The goodwill acquired in 2020 related to the Agro acquisition is reflected in the table above within the column titled 'Unallocated Acquisitions' and has not yet been assigned to reporting units as of December 31, 2020 given the short period of time between the acquisition date, December 30, 2020 and year-end. We expect that the goodwill will be assigned to the Warehouse and Transportation segments during the measurement period. The 2020 acquisitions did not include any operations categorized as Third-party managed or Other. Refer to Note 3 for additional information.

Intangible assets subject to amortization as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

		ustomer ationships		Above- rket leases	In-place lease	Below- market leases	Assembled Workforce	Trade names and trademarks	Total
						usands, except	-		
Gross	\$	300,421	\$	143 \$	3,778 \$	9,126 \$	908	\$ 1,623 \$	315,999
Additions		528,518					139		528,657
Foreign currency translation		1,260		_	_	<u>—</u>	_	_	1,260
Accumulated amortization		(53,321)	)	(81)	(2,152)	(5,945)	(447)	(1,623)	(63,569)
Net definite lived intangible assets	\$	776,878	\$	62 \$	1,626 \$	3,181 \$	600	\$ —	782,347
Indefinite lived intangible asset (Trade na	me)							_	15,076
Identifiable intangible assets – net, De	ecemb	oer 31, 202	0						5 797,423
Weighted-average remaining useful life at December 31, 2020		24.3	3	2.8	2.8	32.2	1.9	) N/A	24.3
Gross	\$	33,788	\$	143 \$	3,778	9,126 \$	S —	\$	46,835
Additions		266,633		_	_	<del></del>	908	1,623	269,164
Accumulated amortization		(38,036)	)	(60)	(1,578)	(5,794)	(128)	(721)	(46,317)
Net definite lived intangible assets	\$	262,385	\$	83 \$	2,200 \$	3,332 \$	780	\$ 902	269,682
Indefinite lived intangible asset (Trade name) 15,076									
Identifiable intangible assets – net, De	Identifiable intangible assets – net, December 31, 2019 \$ 284,758								
Weighted-average remaining useful life at December 31, 2019		24.2	2	3.8	3.8	32.6	2.7	0.8	23.9

Additions in 2019 relate to the Cloverleaf, Lanier, MHW and PortFresh acquisitions. Additions in 2020 relate to the Agro, AM-C, Caspers, Hall's, Newport and Nova Cold acquisitions. Refer to Notes 2 and 3 for further details of each acquisition.

The following table describes the estimated amortization of intangible assets for the next five years and thereafter. In addition, the table describes the net impact on rent expense due to the amortization of below-market leases for the next five years and thereafter:

	Custo	ed Amortization of ner Relationships and e Lease Intangible Assets	Estimated Net Decrease to Lease Revenue Related to Amortization of Above- Market Leases	Estimated Net Increase to Lease Expense Related to Amortization of Below- Market Leases	Estimated Amortization of Assembled Workforce Assets
			(In the	ousands)	
Years Ending December 31:					
2021	\$	32,999	\$ 22	\$ 151	\$ 349
2022		32,910	22	151	221
2023		32,726	18	106	30
2024		32,159	_	102	_
2025		32,070	_	102	<del></del>
Thereafter		615,640	_	2,569	_
Total	\$	778,504	\$ 62	\$ 3,181	\$ 600

### 6. Other Assets

Other assets as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

	2020	2019	
	(In thousands)		
Prepaid accounts	\$ 24,324 \$	11,345	
Inventory and supplies	21,514	9,371	
Various insurance and workers' compensation receivables	14,421	12,143	
Marketable securities - (deferred compensation plan)	6,579	4,895	
Deferred financing costs	5,811	2,767	
Utility, workers' compensation escrow and lease deposits	4,630	4,222	
Other receivables	7,292	7,528	
Income taxes receivable	997	885	
Deferred tax assets	826	418	
Fair value of derivatives	_	6,886	
Deferred registration statement costs	_	912	
	\$ 86,394 \$	61,372	

### 7. Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses

Accounts payable and accrued expenses as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

	2020	2019	
	(In thousand	inds)	
Trade payables	\$ 179,028 \$	109,222	
Accrued workers' compensation liabilities	34,775	30,642	
Accrued payroll	26,706	17,104	
Accrued bonus	26,320	20,729	
Accrued vacation and long service leave	17,466	16,403	
Accrued health benefits	14,938	13,020	
Accrued property taxes	22,372	20,370	
Accrued utilities	9,373	7,854	
New market tax credit deferred contribution liability	4,721	4,882	
Income taxes payable	6,424	997	
Dividends payable	56,189	39,753	
Accrued interest	28,422	24,872	
Fair value of derivative financial instruments	9,611	6,097	
Other accrued expenses	66,492	39,018	
Deferred consideration - Agro	 49,710	<u> </u>	
	\$ 552,547 \$	350,963	

### 8. Acquisition, Litigation and Other Charges

The components of the charges included in "Acquisition, litigation and other" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations are as follows (in thousands):

	Years Ended December 31,								
Acquisition, litigation and other		2020		2019		2018			
Acquisition related costs	\$	26,466	\$	24,284	\$	671			
Litigation		310		4,553					
Severance, equity award modifications and acceleration		1,089		9,789		2,053			
Non-offering related equity issuance expenses		_		1,356		1,813			
Terminated site operations costs		124		632		(1,804)			
Non-recurring public company implementation costs		_				1,202			
Cyber incident related costs		7,908		_					
Other		409		_		_			
Total acquisition, litigation and other	\$	36,306	\$	40,614	\$	3,935			

Acquisition related costs include costs associated with business transactions, whether consummated or not, such as advisory, legal, accounting, valuation and other professional or consulting fees. We also include integration costs pre- and post-acquisition that reflect work being performed to facilitate merger and acquisition integration, such as work associated with information systems and other projects including spending to support future

acquisitions, and primarily consist of professional services. We consider acquisition related costs to be corporate costs regardless of the segment or segments involved in the transaction. Refer to Note 3 for further information regarding acquisitions completed in the current year.

Litigation costs consist of expenses incurred in order to defend the Company from litigation charges outside of the normal course of business as well as related settlements not in the normal course of business. Litigation costs incurred in connection with matters arising from the ordinary course of business are expensed as a component of "Selling, general and administrative expense" on the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Severance costs represent certain contractual and negotiated severance and separation costs from exited former executives, reduction in headcount due to synergies achieved through acquisitions or operational efficiencies and reduction in workforce costs associated with exiting or selling non-strategic warehouses or businesses. Equity acceleration and modification costs represent the unrecognized expense for stock awards that vest and convert to common shares in advance of the original negotiated vesting date and any other equity award changes resulting in accounting for the award as a modification. Refer to Note 15 for further details of all equity modifications and equity acceleration.

Non-offering related equity issuance expense consists of non-registration statement related legal fees associated with the selling shareholders' secondary public offering completed during the first quarter of 2019, which consisted solely of shares sold by YF ART Holdings and Goldman Sachs and affiliates. The Company received no proceeds from the secondary offering.

Terminated site operations costs relates to repair expenses incurred to return leased sites to their original physical state at lease inception in connection with the termination of the applicable underlying lease. Additionally, terminated site operations costs include those incurred to wind down operations at recently sold facilities. These terminations were part of our strategic efforts to exit or sell non-strategic warehouses as opposed to ordinary course lease expirations. Repair and maintenance expenses associated with our ordinary course operations are reflected as operating expenses on our Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations.

Non-recurring public company implementation costs for the year ended December 31, 2018 represent costs associated with the implementation of financial reporting systems and processes needed to convert the organization to a public company.

Cyber incident related costs include third-party fees incurred in connection with the cyber incident that occurred in November 2020, as well as any incremental costs, internal and external, incurred to restore operations at our facilities and damage claims.

Other costs relate to additional superannuation pension costs related to prior years upon review by the Australian Tax Office.

#### 9. Debt

The Company's outstanding indebtedness as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 is as follows (in thousands):

				Decembe	er 31, 2020	Decembe	r 31, 2019
Indebtedness	Stated Maturity Date	Contractual Interest Rate	Effective Interest Rate as of December 31, 2020	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value
2013 Mortgage Loans							
Senior note	5/2023	3.81%	4.14%	\$ 174,693	\$ 180,807 \$	181,443	\$ 184,618
Mezzanine A	5/2023	7.38%	7.55%	70,000	71,925	70,000	70,525
Mezzanine B	5/2023	11.50%	11.75%	32,000	33,040	32,000	32,320
Total 2013 Mortgage Loans				276,693	285,772	283,443	287,463
Senior Unsecured Notes							
Series A notes	1/2026	4.68%	4.77%	200,000	231,000	200,000	217,750
Series B notes	1/2029	4.86%	4.92%	400,000	475,000	400,000	439,000
Series C notes	1/2030	4.10%	4.15%	350,000	400,750	350,000	366,625
Series D notes <sup>(7)</sup>	1/2031	1.62%	1.66%	488,640	488,640	_	_
Series E notes <sup>(8)</sup>	1/2033	1.65%	1.69%	427,560	427,560	_	_
<b>Total Senior Unsecured Notes</b>				1,866,200	2,022,950	950,000	1,023,375
2020 Senior Unsecured Term loan Tranche A-1 <sup>(1)</sup>	3/2025	L+0.95%	1.45%	325,000	323,375	_	_
2020 Senior Unsecured Term loan Tranche A-2 (2)(6)	3/2025	C+0.95%	1.55%	196,325	195,343	_	_
Total 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility <sup>(4)</sup>				521,325	518,718	_	_
2018 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility <sup>(1)</sup>	1/2023	L+1.00%	3.14%	_	_	475,000	472,625
Total principal amount of indebtedness				2,664,218	2,827,440	1,708,443	1,783,463
Less deferred financing costs				(15,952)	n/a	(12,996)	n/a
Total indebtedness, net of unamortized deferred f	inancing costs (3)			\$ 2,648,266	\$ 2,827,440 \$	1,695,447	\$ 1,783,463
2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility <sup>(3)</sup>	3/2024	L+0.85%	0.23%	\$ —	\$	N/A	N/A
2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility <sup>(1)</sup>	1/2021	L+0.90%	0.36%	N/A	N/A 5	s —	\$ —

<sup>(1)</sup> L = one-month LIBOR

<sup>(2)</sup> C = one-month CDOR

<sup>(3)</sup> During the first quarter of 2020, the Company refinanced its Senior Unsecured Credit Facility. As such, the 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility was in effect as of December 31, 2020 and the 2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility was in effect as of December 31, 2019. The above disclosure reflects N/A for the reporting date that the respective instrument was not in effect.

<sup>(4)</sup> During the first quarter of 2020, the Company refinanced its Senior Unsecured Term Loan A. As such, the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility was in effect as of December 31, 2020 and the 2018 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility was in effect as of December 31, 2019.

<sup>(5)</sup> The Company has the option to extend the 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility up to two times for a six-month period each.

<sup>(6)</sup> The 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan Tranche A-2 is denominated in Canadian dollars and aggregates to CAD 250.0 million. The carrying value in the table above is the US dollar equivalent as of December 31, 2020.

- (7) The Senior Unsecured Notes Series D is denominated in Euros and aggregates to €400.0 million. The carrying value in the table above is the US dollar equivalent as of December 31, 2020.
- (8) The Senior Unsecured Notes Series E is denominated in Euros and aggregates to €350.0 million. The carrying value in the table above is the US dollar equivalent as of December 31, 2020.

#### 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility

On March 26, 2020, we entered into a five-year Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility and a four-year \$800 million Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility, which we refer to as the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility. The proceeds were used to refinance the existing \$800 million 2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility maturing January 23, 2021 and USD denominated \$475 million 2018 Senior Unsecured Term Loan maturing January 23, 2023. The total borrowing capacity of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility was approximately \$1.4 billion USD prior to the partial debt repayment which occurred in December 2020 and that is discussed further below. Additionally on March 26, 2020, the Company reduced the margin on the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility and 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility by five basis points.

The 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility was broken into two tranches. Tranche A-1 was comprised of a \$425.0 million USD term loan and Tranche A-2 was comprised of a CAD \$250.0 million term loan, both were five-year loans maturing in 2025. Tranche A-2 provides a natural hedge to the Company's investment in Canada. We refer to Tranches A-1 and A-2 in aggregate as the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan Facility. In connection with entering into the agreement, we incurred approximately \$3.2 million of debt issuance costs related to the term loan, which we amortize as interest expense under the effective interest method. As of December 31, 2020, \$5.6 million of unamortized debt issuance costs related to the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility are included in "Mortgage notes, senior unsecured notes and term loans" in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The maturity of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility is March 26, 2024; however, the Company has the option to extend the maturity up to two times, each for a six-month period. The Company must meet certain criteria in order to extend the maturity. All representations and warranties must be in effect, it must obtain updated resolutions from loan parties, and an additional 6.25 basis points extension fee must be paid. In connection with entering into the agreement, we incurred approximately \$5.2 million of debt issuance costs for the 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility, which we amortize as interest expense under the straight-line method. Unamortized deferred financing costs as of December 31, 2019 of \$2.8 million will continue to be amortized over the life of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility. As of December 31, 2020, \$5.8 million of unamortized debt issuance costs related to the revolving credit facility are included in "Other assets" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

On December 30, 2020, we repaid \$100.0 million of the 425000000 USD Tranche A-1 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A. This was funded using the Series D and E debt private placement issuance, more details on this debt issuance can be found under the "Series A, B, C, D, and E Senior Unsecured Notes" section below. In connection with this repayment, approximately \$1.5 million of unamortized deferred financing costs associated with the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility were written off. In addition, the interest rate swaps associated with the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A were terminated, resulting in an extinguishment fee of \$16.4 million. After accounting for the refinance, the total borrowing capacity of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility is approximately \$1.3 billion USD as of December 31, 2020.

Our 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility contains representations, covenants and other terms customary for a publicly traded REIT. In addition, it contains certain financial covenants, as defined in the credit agreement, including:

- a maximum leverage ratio of less than or equal to 60% of our total asset value. Following a material acquisition, leverage ratio shall not exceed 65%:
- a maximum unencumbered leverage ratio of less than or equal to 60% to unencumbered asset value. Following a material acquisition, unencumbered leverage ratio shall not exceed 65%;
- a maximum secured leverage ratio of less than or equal to 40% to total asset value. Following a material acquisition, secured leverage ratio shall not exceed 45%:
- a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio of greater than or equal to 1.50x; and
- a minimum unsecured interest coverage ratio of greater than or equal to 1.75x.

Material Acquisition in our 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility is defined as one in which assets acquired exceeds an amount equal to 5% of total asset value as of the last day of the most recently ended fiscal quarter publicly available. Obligations under our 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility are general unsecured obligations of our Operating Partnership and are guaranteed by the Company and certain subsidiaries of the Company. As of December 31, 2020, the Company was in compliance with all debt covenants.

There were \$21.7 million letters of credit issued on the Company's 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility as of December 31, 2020.

#### 2018 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility

On December 4, 2018, we entered into the 2018 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility to, among other things, (i) increase the revolver borrowing capacity from \$450.0 million to \$800.0 million, (ii) convert the credit facility (term loan and revolver) from a secured credit facility to an unsecured credit facility, and (iii) decrease the applicable interest rate margins from 2.35% to 1.45% and decrease the fee on unused borrowing capacity by five basis points. The terms of the revolver allow for the ability to draw proceeds in multiple currencies, up to \$400 million. In connection with entering into the original agreement and subsequent amendments for the Term Loan A Credit Facility, we incurred approximately \$8.9 million of debt issuance costs, which we amortize as interest expense under the effective interest method. As of December 31, 2019, the unamortized balance of Term Loan A debt issuance costs was \$6.1 million and was included in "Mortgage notes, senior unsecured notes and term loans" on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

On September 24, 2019, we reduced our interest rate margins from 1.45% to 1.00% and decreased the fee on unused borrowing capacity by five basis points for usage greater than 50% of the total commitment and 15 basis points for usage less than 50% of commitment. The fee for unused borrowing capacity was 20 basis points regardless of the percentage of total commitment used. During the third quarter of 2019, the Company received a favorable credit rating. This rating, when combined with existing ratings, allowed the Company to transition to a favorable ratings-based pricing grid during the third quarter of 2019.

There were \$23.0 million letters of credit issued on the Company's 2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility as of December 31, 2019. During the first quarter of 2020, the 2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility was refinanced and is no longer outstanding as of December 31, 2020.

#### Series A, B, C, D, and E Senior Unsecured Notes

On April 26, 2019, we completed a debt private placement transaction consisting of \$350.0 million senior unsecured notes with a coupon of 4.10% due January 8, 2030 ("Series C"). The transaction closed on May 7, 2019. Interest is payable on January 8 and July 8 of each year until maturity, with the first payment occurring January 8, 2020. The initial January 8, 2020 payment included interest accrued since May 7, 2019. The notes are general unsecured obligations of the Operating Partnership and are guaranteed by the Company and certain

subsidiaries of the Company. The Company applied the proceeds of the private placement transaction to repay the indebtedness outstanding under our senior unsecured revolving credit facility incurred in connection with the funding of the Cloverleaf and Lanier acquisitions.

On November 6, 2018, we completed a debt private placement transaction consisting of (i) \$200.0 million senior unsecured notes with a coupon of 4.68% due January 8, 2026 ("Series A") and (ii) \$400.0 million senior unsecured notes with a coupon of 4.86% due January 8, 2029 ("Series B"). The transaction closed on December 4, 2018. Interest is payable on January 8 and July 8 of each year until maturity, with the first payment occurring July 8, 2019. The notes are general unsecured senior obligations of the Operating Partnership and are guaranteed by the Company and certain subsidiaries of the Company. The Company used a portion of the proceeds of the private placement transaction to repay the outstanding balances of the \$600.0 million Americold 2010 LLC Trust, Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2010, ART (2010 Mortgage Loans). The Company also used the remaining proceeds to extinguish the Australian term loan and the New Zealand term loan (ANZ Loans).

On December 30, 2020 we completed a debt private placement transaction consisting of (i) €400.00 million senior unsecured notes with a coupon of 1.62% due January 7, 2031 ("Series D") and (ii) €350.00 million senior unsecured notes with a coupon of 1.65% due January 7, 2033 ("Series E"). Interest is payable on January 7 and July 7 of each year until maturity, with the first payment occurring July 7, 2021. The notes are general unsecured senior obligations of the Operating Partnership and are guaranteed by the Company and certain subsidiaries of the Company. In connection with entering into the agreement, we incurred approximately \$4.5 million of debt issuance costs related to the issuance, which we amortize as interest expense under the effective interest method. The proceeds of the Series D and Series E issuance were used to provide long-term financing for the Halls acquisition, general corporate purposes and to repay a portion of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan Tranche A-1.

The Series A, B, C, D, and E senior notes (collectively referred to as the "Senior Unsecured Notes") and guarantee agreement includes a prepayment option executable at any time during the term of the loans. The prepayment can be either a partial payment or payment in full, as long as the partial payment is at least 5% of the outstanding principal. Any prepayment in full must include a make-whole amount, which is the discounted remaining scheduled payments due to the lender. The discount rate to be used is equal to 0.50% plus the yield to maturity reported for the most recently actively traded U.S. Treasury Securities with a maturity equal to the remaining average life of the prepaid principal. The Company must give each lender at least 10 days written notice whenever it intends to prepay any portion of the debt.

If a change in control occurs for the Company, the Company must issue an offer to prepay the remaining portion of the debt to the lenders. The prepayment amount will be 100% of the principal amount, as well as accrued and unpaid interest.

The Company is required to maintain at all times an investment grade debt rating for each series of notes from a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. In addition, the Senior Unsecured Notes contain certain financial covenants required on a quarterly or occurrence basis, as defined in the credit agreement, including:

- a maximum leverage ratio of less than or equal to 60% of our total asset value;
- a maximum unsecured indebtedness to qualified assets ratio of less than 0.60 to 1.00;
- a maximum total secured indebtedness ratio of less than 0.40 to 1.00;
- a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio of greater than or equal to 1.50 to 1.00; and
- a minimum unsecured debt service ratio of greater than or equal to 2.00 to 1.00.

As of December 31, 2020, the Company was in compliance with all debt covenants.

### 2013 Mortgage Loans

On May 1, 2013, we entered into a mortgage financing in an aggregate principal amount of \$322.0 million, which we refer to as the 2013 Mortgage Loans. The debt consists of a senior debt note and two mezzanine notes. The components are cross-collateralized and cross-defaulted. The senior debt note requires monthly principal payments. The mezzanine notes require no principal payments until the stated maturity date in May 2023. The interest rates on the notes are fixed and range from 3.81% to 11.50% per annum. The senior debt note and the two mezzanine notes remain subject to yield maintenance provisions. We used the net proceeds of these loans to refinance certain mortgage loans, acquire two warehouses, and fund general corporate purposes.

The 2013 Mortgage Loans are collateralized by 15 warehouses. The terms governing the 2013 Mortgage Loans require us to maintain certain cash amounts in accounts that are restricted as to their use for the respective warehouses. As of December 31, 2020, the amount of restricted cash associated with the 2013 Mortgage Loans was \$3.6 million. Additionally, if we do not maintain certain financial thresholds, including a debt service coverage ratio of 1.10x, the cash generated will further be temporarily restricted and limited to the use for scheduled debt service and operating costs. The 2013 Mortgage Loans are non-recourse to the Company, subject to customary non-recourse provisions as stipulated in the agreements.

The mortgage loan also requires compliance with other financial covenants, including a debt coverage ratio and cash flow calculation, as defined. As of December 31, 2020, the Company was in compliance with all debt covenants.

#### **Debt Covenants**

Our Senior Unsecured Credit Facilities, the Senior Unsecured Notes and 2013 Mortgage Loans all require financial statement reporting, periodic reporting of compliance with financial covenants, other established thresholds and performance measurements, and compliance with affirmative and negative covenants that govern our allowable business practices. The affirmative and negative covenants include, among others, continuation of insurance, maintenance of collateral (in the case of the 2013 Mortgage Loans), the maintenance of REIT status, and restrictions on our ability to enter into certain types of transactions or take on certain exposures. As of December 31, 2020, we were in compliance with all debt covenants.

### Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and termination of derivative instruments

In connection with the early repayment of a portion of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility during the fourth quarter of 2020, the Company recorded \$1.5 million to "Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and termination of derivative instruments" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations, representing the write-off of the proportionate unamortized deferred financing costs from the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility. In addition, the Company terminated the two interest rate swaps related to the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility for a fee of \$16.4 million. Approximately \$8.7 million of this fee will remain in "Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income" and will be amortized to expense through 2024, while \$7.7 million was expensed as interest and included within "Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications, and termination of derivative instruments" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations during the year ended December 31, 2020.

In connection with the refinancing of the 2018 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility during the first quarter of 2020, the Company recorded \$0.8 million to "Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and termination of derivative

instruments" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations, representing the write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs from the 2018 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility. These write-offs were a result of two lenders in the 2018 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility that did not participate in the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan A Facility, accordingly those lenders' portion of unamortized deferred financing costs were written off. Similarly, two lenders in the 2018 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility did not participate in the 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility, and those lender's portions of unamortized deferred financing costs were written off.

During 2018, the Company completed multiple refinancing and extinguishment of debt transactions resulting in an aggregate amount of \$47.6 million each of which was recorded to "Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and termination of derivative instruments". During the first quarter of 2018, simultaneous with the IPO, the Company closed on a Senior Secured Term Loan A and repaid the Term Loan B. Shortly thereafter, the Company amended the facility by repaying a portion of the Term Loan A and increasing the capacity on the revolving credit facility. The total amount recorded as a result of these transactions totaled \$21.4 million, representing the write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs and debt discount from Term Loan B. During the fourth quarter of 2018, the 2010 Mortgage Loans were extinguished. This resulted in an \$18.5 million defeasance fee, as well as a \$3.4 million write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs. Additionally, during the fourth quarter of 2018, the ANZ Loans were fully prepaid, which resulted in a write-off of \$2.2 million in unamortized deferred financing costs and \$1.8 million charge for termination of the related interest rate swaps.

### Aggregate future repayments of indebtedness

The aggregate maturities of indebtedness as of December 31, 2020, including amortization of principal amounts due under the mortgage notes for each of the next five years and thereafter, are as follows:

Years Ending December 31:	(In thousands)
2021	\$ 7,034
2022	7,312
2023	262,347
2024	_
2025	521,325
Thereafter	1,866,200
Aggregate principal amount of debt	2,664,218
Less unamortized deferred financing costs	(15,952)
Total debt net of deferred financing costs	\$ 2,648,266

### Special Purpose Entity (SPE) Separateness

Each of the Company's legal entities listed in the table below is a special purpose, bankruptcy remote entity, meaning that such entity's assets and credit are not available to satisfy the debt and other obligations of either the Company or any of its other affiliates.

Legal Entity/SPE	Related Obligation
ART Mortgage Borrower Propco 2013 LLC	2012 Montage Notes
ART Mortgage Borrower Opco 2013 LLC	2013 Mortgage Notes

For financial reporting purposes, the assets, liabilities, results of operations, and cash flows of each legal entity in the table above are included in the Company's consolidated financial statements. Because each legal entity is separate and distinct from the Company and its affiliates, the creditors of each legal entity have a claim on the assets of such legal entity prior to those assets becoming available to the legal entity's equity holders and, therefore, to the creditors of the Company or its other affiliates.

#### 10. Derivative Financial Instruments

### Designated Nonderivative Financial Instruments

As of December 31, 2020, the Company has designated €750 million debt and accrued interest as a hedge of our net investment in the international subsidiaries resulting from the Agro Acquisition. The remeasurement of these instruments is recorded in "Change in unrealized net gain (loss) on foreign currency" on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

#### **Derivative Financial Instruments**

The Company is subject to volatility in interest rates due to variable-rate debt. To manage this risk, the Company entered into multiple interest rate swap agreements. The January 2019 agreement hedged \$100 million of variable interest-rate debt, and the August 2019 agreement hedged \$225 million of variable interest-rate debt. Each agreement converted the Company's variable-rate debt to a fixed-rate basis for five years, thus reducing the impact of interest rate changes on future interest expense. These agreements involved the receipt of variable-rate amounts in exchange for fixed-rate interest payments over the life of the respective agreement without an exchange of the underlying notional amount. The Company's objective for utilizing these derivative instruments was to reduce its exposure to fluctuations in cash flows due to changes in interest rates. Both of these interest rate swaps were terminated during the fourth quarter of 2020. The Company accelerated the reclassification in other comprehensive income to earnings as a result of the hedged forecasted transactions becoming not probable to occur resulting in a charge to "Loss on debt extinguishment, modification, and termination of derivative instruments" of \$7.7 million on the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2020. Additionally, during the next twelve months, the Company estimates that an additional \$2.7 million will be reclassified as an increase to "Loss on debt extinguishment, modification, and termination of derivative instruments". The Company classifies cash inflow and outflows from derivatives that hedge interest rate risk within operating activities on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

The Company is subject to volatility in foreign exchange rates due to foreign-currency denominated intercompany loans. The Company implemented cross-currency swaps to manage the foreign currency exchange rate risk on these intercompany loans. These agreements effectively mitigate the Company's exposure to fluctuations in cash flows due to foreign exchange rate risk. These agreements involve the receipt of fixed USD amounts in exchange for payment of fixed AUD and NZD amounts over the life of the respective intercompany loan. The entirety of the Company's outstanding intercompany loans receivable balances, \$153.5 million AUD and \$37.5 million NZD, were hedged under the cross-currency swap agreements at December 31, 2020 and 2019.

For derivatives designated and that qualify as cash flow hedges of foreign exchange risk, the gain or loss on the derivative is recorded in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income and subsequently reclassified in the period(s) during which the hedged transaction affects earnings within the same income statement line item as the earnings effect of the hedged transaction. During the next twelve months, the Company estimates that an additional \$0.5 million will be reclassified as an increase to gain/loss on foreign exchange.

The Company is subject to volatility in foreign currencies against its functional currency, the US dollar. Periodically, the Company uses foreign currency derivatives including currency forward contracts to manage its exposure to fluctuations in exchange rates. While these derivatives are hedging the fluctuations in foreign currencies, they do not meet the requirements to be accounted for as hedging instruments. As a result, the changes in the fair value of derivatives not designated in hedging relationships are recorded directly in earnings.

During 2019, in conjunction with the funding of the Nova Cold Acquisition, the Company entered into a foreign exchange forward with a notional to purchase CAD 217.0 million and sell USD with a maturity date of January 2, 2020. The Company simultaneously entered into a second contract with a notional to sell CAD 217.0 million and purchase USD with a maturity of January 31, 2020. These forwards were not designated as hedges in a qualifying hedging relationships. During the year ended December 31, 2019, the net unrealized loss on the change in fair value of the foreign exchange forward contracts included within "Foreign currency exchange gain (loss), net" on the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations was less than \$0.1 million.

During the first quarter of 2020, the Company's previous two outstanding foreign exchange forward contracts matured. The first contract with a notional to purchase CAD \$217.0 million and sell USD, matured on January 2, 2020 and settled for a gain of \$2.1 million. The second contract with a notional to sell CAD \$217.0 million and purchase USD maturing on January 31, 2020 was subsequently designated as a net investment hedge on January 2, 2020. The net realized loss on these foreign exchange forward contracts included within "Foreign currency exchange gain (loss), net" on the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$0.1 million.

During the fourth quarter of 2020, the Company entered into an undesignated foreign currency forward contract to lock in the expected proceeds from the issuance of the Series D & E Senior Unsecured Notes, which would convert the Euro denominated debt issuance to USD. The notional amount was €750 million which settled on December 30, 2020. The realized loss on the foreign currency forward contract was \$45 million and was reflected in "Foreign currency exchange (loss) gain, net" on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations.

As of December 31, 2020, the Company did not have any foreign currency forwards that were not designated in hedging relationships outstanding.

The Company is also exposed to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates on property investments it holds in foreign countries. The Company uses forward currency forwards to hedge its exposure to changes in exchange rates on certain of its foreign investments as well. For derivatives designated as net investment hedges, the changes in the fair value of the derivatives are reported in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income as part of the cumulative translation adjustment. Amounts are reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income into earnings when the hedged net investment is either sold or substantially liquidated.

On January 2, 2020, the Company designated the above noted forward currency contract with a notional to sell CAD \$217.0 million and purchase USD maturing on January 31, 2020 as a net investment hedge. This contract was then settled for a gain of \$0.2 million and a new contract was entered into with same notional to sell CAD \$217.0 million and purchase USD which matured on February 28, 2020. The second contract was settled for a gain of \$2.8 million upon the maturity date of February 28, 2020.

As of December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019, the Company did not have any foreign currency forwards that were designated as net investment hedges outstanding.

The Company determines the fair value of its derivative instruments using a present value calculation with significant observable inputs classified as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. Derivative asset balances are recorded on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets within "Other assets" and derivative liability balances are recorded on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets within "Accounts payable and accrued expenses". The following table presents the fair value of the derivative financial instruments within "Other assets" and "Accounts payable and accrued expenses" as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 (in thousands):

	<b>Derivative Assets</b>				<b>Derivative Liabilities</b>				
		As of December 31,				As of Deco	ember	31,	
	2	2020 2019				2020		2019	
Designated derivatives									
Foreign exchange contracts	\$	_	\$	1,376	\$	9,611	\$	_	
Interest rate contracts		_		2,933		_		3,505	
Undesignated derivatives									
Foreign exchange forwards		_		2,546		_		2,589	
Total fair value of derivatives	\$	_	\$	6,855	\$	9,611	\$	6,094	

The following tables present the effect of the Company's designated derivative financial instruments on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, including the impacts to Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) (in thousands):

				(Loss) Reco	zed in Other rivative		Amount of Gain or (Loss) Reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Incominto Income						
As of December 31,					Location of Gain or (Loss) Reclassified from AOCI into		As of December 31,						
	2	2020		2019	2018	Income	2020			2019		2018	
Interest rate contracts	\$	(11,465)	\$	(571)	\$ (1,422)	Interest expense	\$	(3,368)	\$	248	\$	(1,191)	
Interest rate contracts		(7,688)		_	_	Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and termination of derivative instruments <sup>(1)</sup>		(7,688)		_		_	
Foreign exchange contracts		(11,015)		(879)	2,283	Foreign currency exchange (loss) gain, net		(12,158)		(264)		3,449	
Foreign exchange contracts		_		_	_	Interest expense		(74)		58		_	
Foreign exchange forwards		5,250		_						_		_	
Total designated cash flow hedges	\$	(24,918)	\$	(1,450)	\$ 861		\$	(23,288)	\$	42	\$	2,258	

<sup>(1)</sup> The Company accelerated the reclassification in other comprehensive income to earnings as a result of the hedged forecasted transactions becoming not probable to occur resulting in a charge to "Loss on debt extinguishment, modification, and termination of derivative instruments" on the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Total interest expense recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations was \$91.5 million, \$94.4 million and \$93.3 million during the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Total "Foreign currency exchange (loss) gain, net", recorded in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations was a

loss of \$45.3 million, nominal, and a gain of \$2.9 million during the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019, and 2018, respectively.

The table below presents a gross presentation, the effects of offsetting, and a net presentation of the Company's derivatives as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. The net amounts of derivative assets or liabilities can be reconciled to the tabular disclosure of fair value. The tabular disclosure of fair value provides the location that derivative assets and liabilities are presented on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands):

			Dec	cem	nber 31, 2020					
Offsetting of Derivative Assets							Gross Amounts Consolidated			
		ross Amounts of ecognized Assets	Gross Amounts Offset in the Consolidated Balance Sheet	1	Net Amounts of Assets Presented in the Consolidated Balance Sheet		Financial Instruments	Cash Collateral Received	1	Net Amount
Derivatives	\$	_	\$ _	\$	_	\$	_	\$ S —	\$	_
Offsetting of Derivative Liabiliti	es						Gross Amounts Consolidated	 		
	G	ross Amounts of Recognized Liabilities	Gross Amounts Offset in the Consolidated Balance Sheet		Net Amounts of Liabilities Presented in the Consolidated Balance Sheet		Financial Instruments	Cash Collateral Received	ľ	Net Amount
Derivatives	\$	9,611	\$ _	\$	9,611	\$	_	\$ S —	\$	9,611

December 31, 2019

Offsetting of Derivative Assets								
					0 - 0 - 0		ot Offset in the alance Sheet	
	G	ross Amounts of Recognized Assets	Gross Amounts Offset in the Consolidated Balance Sheet	Net Amounts of assets Presented in the Consolidated Balance Sheet	Financial Instruments		Cash Collateral Received	Net Amount
Derivatives	\$	6,855	\$ _	\$ 6,855	\$ (3,966)	5	\$ —	\$ 2,889
Offsetting of Derivative Liabilitie	es				 0 - 0 - 0		ot Offset in the alance Sheet	
	G	ross Amounts of Recognized Liabilities	Gross Amounts Offset in the Consolidated Balance Sheet	Net Amounts of labilities Presented the Consolidated Balance Sheet	Financial Instruments		Cash Collateral Received	Net Amount
Derivatives	\$	(6,094)	\$ _	\$ (6,094)	\$ 3,966	5	<u> </u>	\$ (2,128)

As of December 31, 2020, the fair value of derivatives in a net liability position, which includes accrued interest but excludes any adjustment for nonperformance risk, related to these agreements was \$10.1 million. As of December 31, 2020, the Company has not posted any collateral related to these agreements. If the Company had breached any of these provisions at December 31, 2020, it could have been required to settle its obligations under the agreements at their termination value of \$10.3 million.

The Company has agreements with each of its derivative counterparties that contain a provision where the Company could be declared in default on its derivative obligations if repayment of the underlying indebtedness is accelerated by the lender due to the Company's default on the indebtedness.

Refer to Note 20 for additional details regarding the impact of the Company's derivatives on AOCI for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

#### 11. Sale-Leasebacks of Real Estate

The Company's outstanding sale-leaseback financing obligations of real estate-related long-lived assets as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

	Maturity	Interest Rate as of December 31, 20	20	2020	2019
				(In thousan	ds)
1 warehouse – 2010	7/2030	10.34%	\$	18,669 \$	18,994
11 warehouses – 2007	9/2027	7.00%-19.59%		93,316	96,765
3 facilities - 2007 (Agro)	7/2031	10%		67,229	_
1 facility - 2013 (Agro)	12/2033	10%		5,846	_
Total sale-leaseback financing obligations			\$	185,060 \$	115,759

In connection with the Agro acquisition, the Company assumed four sale-leaseback facilities. Agro completed a sale-leaseback transaction for three of its warehouse facilities in 2007 that was accounted for as financing. The initial term of the agreement is 20 years and rent payments increase every five years. The rent payments increase by the lesser of 125% of the cumulative increase in the Consumer Price Index over the related five-year period or 9%. The agreement's termination date is July 31, 2031 and has an implicit interest rate of 10%. The long-lived assets are being depreciated on a straight-line basis over their remaining economic useful life.

Agro also completed a sale-leaseback transaction for one of its warehouse facilities that was accounted for as financing. The initial term of the agreement is 20 years and includes six 5-year renewal periods. The rent payments increase every five years by the lesser of the cumulative increase in the Consumer Price Index over the related five-year period or 12%. The agreement's termination date is December 31, 2033 and has an implicit interest rate of 10%. The long-lived assets are being depreciated on a straight-line basis over their remaining economic useful life.

In September 2010, the Company entered into a transaction by which it assigned to an unrelated third party its fixed price "in the money" purchase option of \$18.3 million on a warehouse it was leasing in Ontario, California. The purchase option was exercised in September 2010, and the Company simultaneously entered into a new 20-year lease agreement with the new owner and received \$1.0 million of consideration to use towards warehouse improvements. Under the terms of the new lease agreement, the Company will exercise control over the asset for more than 90% of the asset's remaining useful life, and it has a purchase option within the last six months of the initial lease term at 95% of the fair market value as of the date such option is exercised. The transaction was accounted for as a financing whereby the Company recognized a long-lived asset equal to the purchase price of \$18.2 million, a receivable of \$1.0 million for the additional consideration, and a financing obligation of \$19.2 million. During 2020 and 2019, the principal balance was amortized by nominal amounts. The long-lived asset is being depreciated on a straight-line basis over its remaining economic useful life and a proportionate amount of each periodic rental payment is being charged to interest expense on the effective-interest-rate method.

In connection with an acquisition completed in 2010, the Company assumed sale leaseback agreements for 11 warehouses, and received gross proceeds of \$170.7 million. The acquired company originally completed the sale-leaseback agreements in September 2007. The agreements for the leases of these properties had various initial terms of 10 to 20 years. The rent increases annually by 1.75%. The lease terms can be extended up to four times at the discretion of the Company, each for a five-year period. The leases are guaranteed by an unsecured indemnity from a related party and the Company had the ability to extend the lease through a period which exceeds 90.0% of

the assets' remaining useful lives. The transaction was accounted for as a financing with an amount of each periodic rental payment being charged to interest expense. The assets continue to be reflected as long-lived assets and depreciated over their remaining useful lives. In July 2013, the lease agreements for six of the 11 warehouses were amended. The amendments extended the expiration date on four of the warehouse leases to September 27, 2027, reduced the annual rent increases from 1.75% to 0.50% on five of the warehouse leases and released the guarantee by the unsecured indemnity from the related party. All of the 11 warehouses subject to the sale-leaseback transaction continue to be accounted for as a financing.

As of December 31, 2020, future minimum lease payments, inclusive of certain obligations to be settled with the residual value of related long-lived assets upon expiration of the lease agreement, of the sale-leaseback financing obligations are as follows:

Years Ending December 31:	(In	thousands)
2021	\$	26,184
2022		27,065
2023		27,460
2024		27,787
2025		28,075
Thereafter		182,553
Total minimum payments		319,124
Interest portion		(134,064)
Present value of net minimum payments	\$	185,060

#### 12. Lease Accounting

Arrangements wherein we are the lessee:

We have operating and finance leases for land, warehouses, offices, vehicles, and equipment with remaining lease terms ranging from 1 to 32 years. Many of our leases include one or more options to extend the lease term from 1 to 10 years that may be exercised at our sole discretion. Additionally, many of our leases for vehicles and equipment include options to purchase the underlying asset at or before expiration of the lease agreement. Rental payments are generally fixed over the term of the lease agreement with the exception of certain equipment leases for which the rental payment may vary based on usage of the asset. Our lease agreements do not contain any material residual value guarantees or material restrictive covenants.

As of December 31, 2020, the rights and obligations with respect to leases which have been signed but have not yet commenced are not material to our financial position or results of operations.

The components of lease expense were as follows (in thousands):

Years Ended December 31,				
	2020	2019		
\$	23,931 \$	29,205		
	16,504	11,252		
	2,969	2,941		
	(551)	(499)		
\$	42,853 \$	42,899		
	\$	\$ 23,931 \$ 16,504 2,969 (551)		

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes short-term lease and variable lease costs, which are immaterial.

For the year ended December 31, 2018, rent expense of \$36.7 million, was recorded pursuant to ASC 840, Leases.

Other information related to leases is as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,				
		2020		2019	
Supplemental Cash Flow Information (in thousands) Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities					
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$	(20,070)	\$	(24,992)	
Operating cash flows from finance leases	\$	(2,969)	\$	(2,941)	
Financing cash flows from finance leases	\$	(19,970)	\$	(13,339)	
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for lease obligations					
Operating leases	\$	44,919	\$	12,492	
Finance leases	\$	38,858	\$	30,416	
Weighted-average remaining lease term (years)					
Operating leases		10.5	5	6.1	
Finance leases		4.8	3	4.4	
Weighted-average discount rate					
Operating leases		2.9 %	Ó	4.1 %	
Finance leases		3.6 %	Ó	5.5 %	

<sup>(</sup>b) Sublease income relates to two warehouses in the U.S. and New Zealand.

Future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable leases as of December 31, 2020 were as follows (in thousands):

Years ending December 31,	Operating Lease Payments	Finance Lease Payments	Total Lease Payments
2021	\$ 41,821 \$	41,671 \$	83,492
2022	36,000	32,118	68,118
2023	32,809	25,943	58,752
2024	28,185	16,752	44,937
2025	23,923	6,108	30,031
Thereafter	154,991	10,723	165,714
Total future minimum lease payments	 317,729	133,315	451,044
Less: Interest	(48,582)	(7,389)	(55,971)
Total future minimum lease payments less interest	\$ 269,147 \$	125,926 \$	395,073
Reported as of December 31, 2020			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 174 \$	120 \$	294
Operating lease obligations	268,973	_	268,973
Finance lease obligations		125,806	125,806
Total lease obligations	\$ 269,147 \$	125,926 \$	395,073

Arrangements wherein we are the lessor:

We receive lease income as the lessor for certain buildings and warehouses or space within a warehouse. The remaining term on existing leases ranges from 1 to 12 years. Lease income is generally fixed over the duration of the contract and each lease contract contains clauses permitting extension or termination. Lease incentives and options for purchase of the leased asset by the lessee are generally not included.

The Company is party to operating leases only and currently does not have sales-type or direct financing leases. Lease income is included within "Rent, storage and warehouse services" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations as denoted in Note 24 "Revenues from Contracts with Customers".

Property, buildings and equipment underlying operating leases is included in "Land" and "Buildings and improvements" on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. The gross value and net value of these assets was \$854.2 million and \$615.7 million, for Land and Buildings and improvements, respectively, as of December 31, 2020. These amounts for 2020 exclude values attributable to Land and Buildings and improvements acquired from Agro as the relevant acquisition accounting is preliminary and will be finalized during the measurement period. The gross value and net value of these assets was \$786.4 million and \$600.1 million, for Land and Buildings and improvements, respectively, as of December 31, 2019. Depreciation expense for such assets was \$29.5 million and \$23.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

Future minimum lease payments due from our customers on leases as of December 31, 2020 were as follows (in thousands):

Year ending December 31,	Оре	erating Leases
2021	\$	26,903
2022		21,884
2023		18,914
2024		14,201
2025		10,169
Thereafter		21,491
Total	\$	113,562

#### 13. Fair Value Measurements

The Company categorizes assets and liabilities that are recorded at fair values into one of three tiers based upon fair value hierarchy. These tiers include: Level 1, defined as quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities; Level 2, defined as inputs other than Level 1 that are observable, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices in markets that are not active, model-based valuation techniques for which all significant assumptions are observable in the market, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities; and Level 3, defined as unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data. The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable, accrued expenses and revolving line of credit approximate their fair values due to the short-term maturities of the instruments.

The Company's mortgage notes, senior unsecured notes, and term loans are reported at their aggregate principal amount less unamortized deferred financing costs on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. The fair value of these financial instruments is estimated based on the present value of the expected coupon and principal payments using a discount rate that reflects the projected performance as of each valuation date. The inputs used to estimate the fair value of the Company's mortgage notes, senior unsecured notes, and term loans are comprised of Level 2 inputs, including senior industrial commercial real estate loan spreads, trading data on comparable unsecured industrial REIT debt, corporate industrial loan indexes, risk-free interest rates, and Level 3 inputs, such as future coupon and principal payments, and projected future cash flows.

The Company's financial assets and liabilities recorded at fair value on a recurring basis include derivative instruments. The fair value of interest rate swap and cross currency swap agreements, which are designated as cash flow hedges, and foreign currency forward contracts designated as net investment hedges, is based on inputs other than quoted market prices that are observable (Level 2). The fair value of foreign currency forward contracts is based on adjusting the spot rate utilized at the balance sheet date for translation purposes by an estimate of the forward points observed in active markets (Level 2). Additionally, the fair value of derivatives includes a credit valuation adjustment to appropriately incorporate nonperformance risk for the Company and the respective counterparty. Although the credit valuation adjustments associated with derivatives utilize Level 3 inputs, such as estimates of current credit spreads to evaluate the likelihood of default by us and our counterparties, the significance of the impact on the overall valuation of our derivative positions is insignificant. The Company's cash equivalent money market funds and restricted cash assets are valued at quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1), which the Company receives from the financial institutions that hold such investments on its behalf. The fair value hierarchy discussed above is also applicable to the Company's pension and other post-retirement plans. The Company uses the fair value hierarchy to measure the fair value of assets held by various plans. Refer to Note 18 for the fair value of the pension plan assets. The Company recognizes transfers between levels within the hierarchy as of the beginning of the reporting period. There were no transfers between levels within the hierarchy for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

The Company's assets and liabilities recorded at fair value on a non-recurring basis include long-lived assets when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. The Company estimates the fair values using unobservable inputs classified as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

The Company's assets and liabilities measured or disclosed at fair value are as follows:

		Fair V	<b>Value</b>	ılue	
	Fair Value	 Decemb	ber 31	,	
	Hierarchy	2020		2019	
	<u> </u>	 (In thou	ısands	s)	
Measured at fair value on a recurring basis:					
Interest rate swap asset	Level 2	\$ _	\$	2,936	
Interest rate swap liability	Level 2	_		3,507	
Cross-currency swap asset	Level 2	_		1,404	
Cross-currency swap liability	Level 2	9,611			
Foreign exchange forward contract asset	Level 2			2,546	
Foreign exchange forward contract liability	Level 2	_		2,589	
Assets held by various pension plans:					
	Level 1	41,009		35,317	
	Level 2	37,652		33,991	
Disclosed at fair value:					
Mortgage notes, senior unsecured notes and term loans(1)	Level 3	\$ 2,827,440	\$	1,783,463	

<sup>(1)</sup>The carrying value of mortgage notes, senior unsecured notes and term loans is disclosed in Note 9.

#### 14. Dividends and Distributions

In order to comply with the REIT requirements of the Internal Revenue Code, the Company is generally required to make common share distributions (other than capital gain distributions) to its shareholders at least equal to 90% of its REIT taxable income, as defined in the Code, computed without regard to the dividends paid deduction and net capital gains. The Company's common share dividend policy is to distribute a percentage of cash flow to ensure distribution requirements of the IRS are met while allowing the Company to retain cash to meet other needs, such as principal amortization, capital improvements and other investment activities.

Common share dividends are characterized for U.S. federal income tax purposes as ordinary income, qualified dividend, capital gains, non-taxable income return of capital, or a combination of the four. Common share dividends that exceed current and accumulated earnings and profits (calculated for tax purposes) constitute a return of capital rather than a dividend and generally reduce the shareholder's basis in the common share. At the beginning of each year, we notify our shareholders of the taxability of the common share dividends paid during the preceding year. The payment of common share dividends is dependent upon our financial condition, operating results, and REIT distribution requirements and may be adjusted at the discretion of the Company's Board of Trustees.

The following tables summarize dividends declared and distributions paid to the holders of common shares and Series B Preferred Shares in 2020, 2019 and 2018:

### 2020 (Common Shares)

Manda Dadam J/Daid	Div	vidend Per		Distributions Paid	
Month Declared/Paid		Share	Distributions Declared Common Shares	Common Shares	
	-				
December (2019)/January	\$	0.2000	(In thousands, except per s	\$ 38,796	
December (2017), January	Ψ	0.2000		(169)	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.
December (2019)/January			_	4	Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).
March/April		0.2100	42,568	42,568	
March <sup>(b)</sup>			_	(233)	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.
March/April			_	10	Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).
May/July		0.2100	43,271	43,271	
May <sup>(c)</sup>			_	(232)	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.
May/July			_	10	Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).
September/October		0.2100	43,282	43,282	
October <sup>(d)</sup>			_	(231)	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.
September/October			_	10	Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).
December	\$	0.210	53,820	_	
			\$ 182,941	\$ 167,086	

<sup>(</sup>a) Declared in December 2019 and included in the \$38.8 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.
(b) Declared in March and included in the \$42.6 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.
(c) Declared in May and included in the \$43.3 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

<sup>(</sup>d) Declared in September and included in the \$43.3 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

2019 (Common Shares)

2019 (Common Snares)										
Month Declared/Paid		idend Per Share	Distributions Declared	Distributi	ons Paid					
Month Declared/1 aid			housands, except per s							
December (2018)/January	\$	0.1875 \$	——————————————————————————————————————	\$	28,218					
December (a)			_			Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.				
December (2018)/January			_		7	Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).				
March/April		0.2000	30,235		30,235	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
March (b)			_			Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.				
March/April			_		15	Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).				
June/July		0.2000	38,764		38,764	i				
June (c)			_		ĺ	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.				
June/July			_		13	Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).				
September/October		0.2000	38,795		38,795	1 /				
October (d)			_		·	Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.				
September/October			_		7	Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).				
December/January (2020)	\$	0.2000	38,796			compensation).				
December/January (2020)	Ψ	\$	146,590	\$	135,443					
		Ψ	140,370	Ψ	133,773					

<sup>(</sup>a) Declared in December 2018 and included in the \$28.2 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

<sup>(</sup>b) Declared in March and included in the \$30.2 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

<sup>(</sup>c) Declared in June and included in the \$38.8 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

<sup>(</sup>d) Declared in September and included in the \$38.8 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

2018

-	Div	vidend Per			201					
Month Declared/Paid		Share	Distributio				Distribu			
			Common Shares	Pı	eries B referred Shares		ommon Shares		Series B Preferred Shares	
			(In	thousa	ınds, except	per sl	nare amoui	nts)		
January (a)	\$	0.0186 \$	1,291	\$	619	\$	1,291	\$	619	
March/April		0.1396	20,145		_		20,145			
March (c)			_		_		(79)			Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.
March/April			_		_		20			Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).
June/July		0.1875	27,250		_		27,250		_	udditional compensation).
June (d)		0.1073			_		(118)			Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.
June/July			_		_		28			Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).
September/October		0.1875	28,072		_		28,072			additional Compensation).
October <sup>(e)</sup>		0.1076			_		(114)			Dividend equivalents accrued on unvested restricted stock units to be paid when the awards vest.
September/October			_		_		28			Dividend equivalents paid on unvested restricted stock units that are not expected to vest (recognized as additional compensation).
December/January (2019)	\$	0.1875	28,218		_		_		_	• ′
3 ( )		\$	104,976			\$	76,523			
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Series B Preferred Shares -	Five	1 Dividend								
January (a)	ITACC	Dividella			1,198				1,198	
Total distributions paid to h	older	a of Carica	D Drafarrad		1,198				1,190	
Shares (b)	oidel	s of series	D FICICIICO	\$	1,817			\$	1,817	

<sup>(</sup>a) Stub period dividend paid to shareholders of record prior to the IPO.

<sup>(</sup>b) Last participating and fixed dividend paid to holders of Series B Preferred Shares in connection with the conversion to common shares on the IPO date.

<sup>(</sup>c) Declared in March and included in the \$20.1 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

<sup>(</sup>d) Declared in June and included in the \$27.3 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

<sup>(</sup>e) Declared in September and included in the \$28.1 million declared, see description to the right regarding timing of payment.

The dividends declared and paid to holders of Series A Preferred Shares were \$0.001 for the year ended December 31, 2018. In 2018, in connection with the IPO, all outstanding Series A Preferred Shares were redeemed and there were no dividends for the year ended December 31, 2019.

For income tax purposes, distributions to preferred and common shareholders are characterized as ordinary income, capital gains, or as a return of shareholder invested capital. The composition of the Company's distributions per common share and per preferred share is as follows:

<b>Common Shares</b>	2020	2019	2018
Ordinary income	35 %	83 %	66 %
Capital gains	0 %	0 %	0 %
Return of capital	65 %	17 %	34 %
	100 %	100 %	100 %
Preferred Shares	2020	2019	2018
Preferred Shares Ordinary income	2020 N/A	2019 N/A	2018 100 %
Ordinary income	N/A	N/A	100 %
Ordinary income Capital gains	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	100 % 0 %

### 15. Share-Based Compensation

All share-based compensation cost is measured at the grant date, based on the estimated fair value of the award. The Company issues time-based, performance-based and market performance-based equity awards. Time-based and cliff vesting market performance-based awards are recognized on a straight-line basis over the associates' requisite service period, as adjusted for estimate of forfeitures. Performance-based awards are recognized ratably over the vesting period using a graded vesting attribution model upon the achievement of the performance target, as adjusted for estimate of forfeitures. The only performance-based awards issued by the Company were granted in 2016 and 2017.

Aggregate share-based compensation charges were \$17.9 million, \$15.9 million and \$10.7 million during the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Routine share-based compensation expense is included as a component of "Selling, general and administrative" expense on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations. Approximately \$3.1 million of share-based compensation expense was recorded during the year ended December 31, 2019 due to accelerated vesting of awards outstanding to former executives and an equity award modification upon trustee resignation, and were included as a component of "Acquisition, litigation and other" expense on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations. Approximately \$2.0 million of share-based compensation expense was recorded during the year ended December 31, 2018 as a result of modification to certain restricted stock units, and is included as a component of "Acquisition, litigation and other" expense on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations. The award modifications and awards with accelerated vesting are discussed further under the section "Modification of Restricted Stock Units and Accelerated Vesting of Awards". As of December 31, 2020, there was \$23.0 million of unrecognized share-based compensation expense related to stock options and restricted stock units, which will be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.7 years.

### Americold Realty Trust 2010 Equity Incentive Plans

During December 2010, the Company and the common shareholders approved the Americold Realty Trust 2010 Equity Incentive Plan (2010 Plan), whereby the Company could issue stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, stock bonus awards, and/or dividend equivalents with respect to the Company's common shares, cash bonus awards, and/or performance compensation awards to certain eligible participants, as defined, based upon a reserved pool of 3,849,976 of the Company's common shares. No additional awards may be granted under the 2010 Plan.

#### Americold Realty Trust 2017 Equity Incentive Plan

On January 4, 2018, the Company's Board of Trustees adopted the Americold Realty Trust 2017 Equity Incentive Plan (2017 Plan), which permits the grant of various forms of equity- and cash-based awards from a reserved pool of 9,000,000 common shares of the Company. On January 17, 2018, the Company's shareholders approved the 2017 Plan. Equity-based awards issued under the 2017 Plan have the rights to receive dividend equivalents on an accrual basis. Dividend equivalents for market performance-based awards are forfeitable in the event of termination for cause or when voluntary departure occurs during the vesting period. Otherwise, dividend equivalents are accrued at the time of declaration and paid upon the vesting of the awards. Time-based awards have the right to receive nonforfeitable dividend equivalent distributions on unvested units throughout the vesting period. As of December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively, the Company accrued \$2.5 million, \$1.1 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, of dividend equivalents on unvested units payable to associates and non-employee trustees.

All awards granted under the 2017 Plan dated on March 8, 2020 and thereafter include a retirement provision. The retirement provision allows that if a participant has either attained the age of 65, or has attained the age of 55 and has ten full years of service with the Company, and there are no facts, circumstances or events exist which would give the Company a basis to effect a termination of service for cause, then the award recipient is entitled to continued vesting of any outstanding equity-based awards which include the retirement provision. Should the participant choose to retire from the Company, the awards with the retirement provision would continue to vest. Accordingly, grants of time-based awards to an employee who has met the retirement criteria on or before the date of grant will be expensed at the date of grant. In addition, grants of time-based awards to associates who will meet the retirement criteria during the awards normal vesting period will be expensed between the date of grant and the date upon which the award recipient meets the retirement criteria. Time-based awards granted to recipients who meet the retirement criteria, and decide to retire, will continue vesting on the original vesting schedule as determined at grant date. A pro-rated portion of market-performance based awards granted to recipients who meet the retirement criteria will remain outstanding and eligible to vest based on actual performance through the last day of the performance period based on the number of days during the performance period that the recipient was employed.

#### Modification of Restricted Stock Units and Accelerated Vesting of Awards

On January 4, 2018, the Company's Board of Trustees approved the modification of awards to allow the grant of dividend equivalents to all participants in the 2010 Plan with respect to any and all vested restricted stock units of the Company that have not been settled or converted to shares pursuant to the 2010 Plan. On the same day, the Company's Board of Trustees resolved that no further awards may be granted under the 2010 Plan after the approval of the 2017 Plan. As a result, the Company recognized share-based compensation expense of \$2.0 million to reflect the change in fair value associated with the modification of the dividend equivalents rights of the outstanding equity awards under the 2010 Plan.

During the first quarter of 2019, the Company's Compensation Committee approved the modification of an award issued in 2018 to a member of the Board of Trustees upon his resignation. This modification immediately accelerated the next vesting tranche of 100,000 restricted stock units which otherwise would not have vested until 2020 assuming the trustee continued service, under the original award agreement. As a result of this modification, the Company recognized approximately \$2.9 million of share-based compensation expense during the first quarter of 2019.

Additionally, during the first quarter of 2019, the Company recognized accelerated share-based compensation expense of \$0.2 million upon the termination of former executives, in accordance with the terms of their original award agreements.

#### Restricted Stock Units

Restricted stock units are nontransferable until vested. Prior to the issuance of a common share, the grantees of restricted stock units are not entitled to vote the shares. Time-based restricted stock unit awards vest in equal annual increments over the vesting period. The grant date fair values for time-based restricted unit stock awards is equal to the closing market price of Americold Realty Trust common shares on the grant date. Performance-based and market performance-based restricted stock unit awards cliff vest upon the achievement of the performance target, as well as completion of performance period.

The following table summarizes restricted stock unit grants by grantee type during the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018:

Year Ended December 31	Grantee Type	Number of Restricted Stock Units Granted	Vesting Period	Grant Date Fair Value (in thousands)
2020	Trustees	8,517	1 year	\$ 300
2020	Associates	295,274	1-3 years	\$ 9,137
2019	Trustees	18,267	1 year	\$ 575
2019	Associates	504,984	1-3 years	\$ 16,843
2018	Trustees	373,438	1-3 years	\$ 5,975
2018	Associates	1,263,751	1-4 years	\$ 22,196

Of the restricted stock units granted for the year ended December 31, 2020, (i) 8,517 were time-based restricted stock units with a one-year vesting period issued to non-employee trustees as part of their annual compensation (ii) 186,464 were time-based graded vesting restricted stock units with various vesting periods ranging from one to three years issued to certain associates and (iii) 108,810 were market performance-based cliff vesting restricted stock units with a three-year vesting period issued to certain associates.

Of the restricted stock units granted for the year ended December 31, 2019, (i) 12,285 were time-based restricted stock units with a one-year vesting period issued to non-employee trustees in recognition of their efforts and oversight in the first year as a public company, (ii) 5,982 were time-based restricted stock units with a one-year vesting period issued to non-employee trustees as part of their annual compensation (iii) 261,816 were time-based graded vesting restricted stock units with various vesting periods ranging from one to three years issued to certain associates and (iv) 243,168 were market performance-based cliff vesting restricted stock units with a three-year vesting period issued to certain associates.

Of the restricted stock units granted for the year ended December 31, 2018, (i) 331,250 were time-based graded vesting restricted stock units with a three-year vesting period issued to non-employee trustees in connection with the IPO, (ii) 42,188 were time-based graded vesting restricted stock units with a one-year vesting period issued to non-employee trustees as part of their annual compensation, (iii) 659,751 were time-based graded vesting restricted stock units with various vesting periods ranging from one to four years years issued to certain associates and (iv) 604,000 were market performance-based cliff vesting restricted stock units with a three-year vesting period issued to certain associates.

The following table provides a summary of restricted stock awards activity under the 2010 and 2017 Plans as of December 31, 2020:

Year Ended December 31, 2020							
Restricted Stock	Number of Time- Based Restricted Stock Units	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in millions)	Number of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in millions)	Number of Market Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in millions)	
Non-vested as of December 31, 2019	714,063 \$	25.0	57,142	\$ 2.0	779,188	\$ 27.3	
Granted <sup>(2)</sup>	194,981		_		108,810		
Vested <sup>(1)</sup>	(334,131)		(14,286)		_		
Forfeited	(11,689)		0		(14,417)		
Non-vested as of December 31, 2020	563,224 \$	21.0	42,856	\$ 1.6	873,581	\$ 42.6	
Shares vested, but not released <sup>(1)</sup>	615,643	23.0	28,572	1.1	_	_	
Total outstanding restricted stock units	1,178,867 \$	44.0	71,428	\$ 2.7	873,581	\$ 42.6	

- (1) For certain vested restricted stock units, common share issuance is contingent upon the first to occur of: (1) termination of service; (2) change in control; (3) death; or (4) disability, as defined in the 2010 Plan. Of these vested restricted stock units, 568,753 belong to a member of the Board of Trustees who has resigned and common shares shall not be issued until the first to occur: (1) change in control; or (2) April 13, 2022. Holders of these certain vested restricted stock units are entitled to receive dividends, but are not entitled to vote the shares until common shares are issued. The weighted average grant date fair value of these units is \$9.38 per unit. During 2020 an additional 14,286 of these restricted stock units vested. Of the total restricted stock units vested, but not yet released, 615,643 time-based restricted stock units and 14,286 performance-based restricted stock units vested prior to January 1, 2020.
- (2) The number of market performance-based restricted stock units are reflected within this table based upon the number of shares issuable upon achievement of the performance metric at target.

The weighted average grant date fair value of restricted stock units granted during years 2020, 2019, and 2018 was \$31.06, \$33.29 and \$17.21 per unit, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2020 the weighted average grant date fair value of vested and converted restricted stock units was \$21.72 and forfeited restricted stock units was \$26.13. The weighted average grant date fair value of non-vested restricted stock units was \$24.27 and \$22.50 per unit as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

#### Market Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Trustees approved the annual grant of market performance-based restricted stock units under the 2017 Plan to associates of the Company. The awards utilize relative total shareholder return (TSR) over a three-year measurement period as the

market performance metric. Awards will vest based on the Company's TSR relative to the RMZ over a three-year market performance period, or the Market Performance Period, commencing in January 1, 2019 and ending on December 31, 2021, as applicable (or, if earlier, ending on the date on which a change in control of the Company occurs), subject to continued services. Vesting with respect to the market condition is measured based on the difference between the Company's TSR percentage and the TSR percentage of the RMZ, or the RMZ Relative Market Performance. In the event that the RMZ Relative Market Performance during the Market Performance Period is achieved at the "threshold," "target" or "high" level as set forth below, the awards will become vested as to the market condition with respect to the percentage of RSUs, as applicable, set forth below:

Performance Level Thresholds	RMS Relative Market Performance	Market Performance Vesting Percentage
High Level	above 75 <sup>th</sup> percentile	200%
Target Level	55 <sup>th</sup> percentile	100%
Threshold Level	30 <sup>th</sup> percentile	50%
Below Threshold Level	below 30 <sup>th</sup> percentile	0%

If the RMZ Relative Market Performance falls between the levels specified above, the percentage of the award that will vest with respect to the market condition will be determined using straight-line linear interpolation between such levels.

Market performance-based restricted units granted during 2018 utilize absolute total shareholder return (TSR) over a three-year measurement period as the market performance metric. Awards will vest based on the Company's TSR relative to the percentage appreciation (rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent), in the value per share of stock during the performance period, over a three-year market performance period, commencing on January 18, 2018 and ending on December 31, 2020 (or, if earlier, ending on the date on which a change in control of the Company occurs), subject to continued services. In the event that the TSR upon completion of the market performance period is achieved at the "minimum," "target" or "maximum" level as set forth below, the awards will become vested as to the market condition with respect to the percentage RSUs, as applicable, set forth below:

Performance Level Thresholds	TSR	Market Performance Percentage
Maximum	12%	150% of Target Award
Target	10%	100% of Target Award
Minimum	8%	50% of Target Award

In the event TSR falls between 8% and 10%, TSR shall be determined using a straight line linear interpolation between 50% and 100% and in the event it falls between 10% and 12%, TSR shall be determined using a straight line linear interpolation between 100% and 150%.

In the event that the Company's TSR does not meet 50% of the Target Award (i.e., the minimum threshold listed above), the Restricted Stock Units shall be automatically forfeited and neither the Company nor any Subsidiary shall have any further obligations to the participant under the agreement. In no event will the number of RSUs that vest pursuant to the agreement exceed 150% of the Target Award.

The fair values of the awards were measured using a Monte Carlo simulation to estimate the probability of the market vesting condition being satisfied. The Company's achievement of the market vesting condition is contingent on its TSR over a three-year market performance period, relative to the total stock price. Monte Carlo simulation is well-accepted for pricing market based awards, where the number of shares that will vest depends on

the future stock price movements. For each simulated path, the TSR is calculated at the end of the performance period and determines the vesting percentage based on achievement of the performance target. The fair value of the RSUs is the average discounted payout across all simulation paths. Assumptions used in the valuations are summarized as follows:

 Award Date	<b>Expected Stock Price Volatility</b>	Risk-Free Interest Rate	Dividend Yield (1)
2018	25% - 30%	2.34% - 2.85%	N/A
2019	22%	2.40% - 2.43%	N/A
2020	23%	0.52%	N/A

<sup>(1)</sup> Dividends are assumed to be reinvested and therefore not applicable.

#### Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units

The grant of the performance-based restricted stock unit award in April 2017 resulted in a grant date fair value of \$13.43 and was measured utilizing the Black-Scholes methodology. The Company's achievement of the performance vesting condition was contingent on the achievement of Core EBITDA. The key assumptions used in the valuation of the April 2017 award were as follows:

Award Date	<b>Expected Stock Price Volatility</b>	Risk-Free Interest Rate	<b>Dividend Yield</b>
4/10/2017	30%	1.63%	2%

#### OP Units Activity

During 2019, upon recommendation by the Compensation Committee, the Board of Trustees approved the grant of OP units in connection with the annual grant to the Board of Trustees. The trustees have the option to elect their annual grant in the form of either time-vested restricted stock units or time-vested OP units. Additionally, the Board of Trustees approved the future award of grants for certain members of management to receive their awards in the form of either OP units or restricted stock units (applicable to time-vested and market-performance based awards). The terms of the OP units mirror the terms of the restricted stock units granted in the respective period.

The following table summarizes OP unit grants under the 2017 Plan during the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 (none were issued during the year ended December 31, 2018):

Year Ended December 31,	Grantee Type	Number of OP Units Granted	Vesting Period	Grant Date Fair Value (in thousands)
2020	Trustees	16,325	1 year	\$ 575
2020	Associates	255,720	1-3 years	\$ 7,719
2019	Trustees	20,190	1 year	\$ 675

The following table provides a summary of the OP unit awards activity under the 2017 Plan as of December 31, 2020:

#### Year Ended December 31, 2020

OP Units	Number of Time- Based OP Units	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in millions)	Number of Market Performance-Based OP Units	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in millions)
Non-vested as of December 31, 2019	20,190	\$ 0.7	_	\$ —
Granted	93,180		178,865	
Vested	(20,190)	)	_	
Forfeited	_		_	
Non-vested as of December 31, 2020	93,180	\$ 3.5	178,865	\$ 6.7
Shares vested, but not released	17,199	0.6	_	
Total outstanding OP units	110,379	\$ 4.1	178,865	\$ 6.7

The OP units granted for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 had an aggregate grant date fair value of \$8.3 million and \$0.7 million, respectively.

Stock Options Activity

The following table provides a summary of option activity for the year ended December 31, 2020:

	Number of Options	Weighted-Average Exercise Price	Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Terms (Years)
Outstanding as of December 31, 2019	794,498 \$	9.81	5.8
Granted	<del></del>	_	
Exercised	(321,000)	9.81	
Forfeited or expired	(8,000)	9.81	
Outstanding as of December 31, 2020	465,498 \$	9.81	4.7
Exercisable as of December 31, 2020	232,500 \$	9.81	3.9

The total fair value at grant date of stock option awards that vested during the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 was approximately \$0.7 million, \$0.9 million and \$1.5 million, respectively. The total intrinsic value of options exercised for the year ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 was \$8.2 million, \$27.8 million and \$38.8 million, respectively.

### 16. Income Taxes

As discussed in Note 2, the Company operates in compliance with REIT requirements for federal income tax purposes. As a REIT, the Company must distribute at least 90 percent of its taxable income (including dividends paid to it by its TRSs). In addition, the Company must also meet certain other organizational and operational requirements. It is management's intention to adhere to these requirements and maintain the Company's REIT status. Most states where we operate conform to the federal rules recognizing REITs. On August 1, 2019, the Company issued OP Units of the Operating Partnership to unrelated third parties. As a result, the Operating

Partnership is now a regarded partnership under federal tax law, and the Operating Partnership's accompanying consolidated financial statements include the related provision balances for federal income taxes. Certain subsidiaries have made an election with the Company to be treated as TRSs in conjunction with the Company's REIT election; the TRS elections permit us to engage in certain business activities in which the REIT may not engage directly. A TRS is subject to federal and state income taxes on the income from these activities. A provision for taxes of the TRSs and of foreign branches of the REIT is included in our consolidated financial statements.

The Company recorded an opening deferred tax liability of \$213.8 million as part of its acquisition accounting on the 2020 acquisitions discussed in Note 3. This deferred tax liability primarily arose from book to tax basis differences in land, buildings and equipment and intangible assets acquired offset by certain liabilities assumed in the acquisition. Acquisition accounting related to the deferred income tax assets and liabilities acquired in the acquisitions is preliminary for Hall's and Agro and are subject to change as additional information is obtained.

The Company continues to assert that the undistributed earnings of its Argentine subsidiary are permanently reinvested. Undistributed earnings of the Argentine subsidiary amounted to approximately \$13.7 million at December 31, 2020. The Company changed its assertion for the earnings of its Canadian subsidiaries in 2018 due to the Company's plans to remit cash in the future. During 2019 the Company recognized a deferred tax liability for the outside basis difference of \$0.4 million in its Canadian subsidiaries that remains unchanged in 2020. The Company intends to liquidate its Hong Kong subsidiaries in 2021 and is no longer asserting permanent reinvestment although that did not result in the recognition of deferred taxes. No additional income taxes have been provided for any additional outside basis differences in selected foreign entities that are indefinitely reinvested. No income tax has been accrued for the investment in foreign Agro subsidiaries acquired in 2020 because the Company has elected to be indefinitely reinvested with regard to outside basis only in the investment of the foreign subsidiaries.

The GILTI provisions of the TCJA impose a tax on the income of certain foreign subsidiaries in excess of a specified return on tangible assets used by the foreign companies. The Company continues to account for the GILTI inclusion as a period cost and thus has not recorded any deferred tax liability associated with GILTI. There was no taxable deemed dividend recorded for the Company for the 2020 and 2019 tax year. The taxable deemed dividend recorded for the Company for the 2018 tax year is \$0.2 million. Also, as a result of IRS guidance issued during the third quarter of 2018, the Company now includes any GILTI as REIT qualified income.

Following is a summary of the income before income taxes in the U.S. and foreign operations:

	2020	2019	2018
	(In	thousands)	_
U.S.	\$ 5,673 \$	33,417 \$	37,060
Foreign	11,955	9,588	7,306
Pre-tax income	\$ 17,628 \$	43,005 \$	44,366

The benefit (expense) for income taxes for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 is as follows:

	2020	2019	2018
	(Iı	thousands)	
Current			
U.S. federal	\$ 1,085 \$	(20) \$	4,424
State	(447)	(670)	(353)
Foreign	(7,443)	(4,854)	(3,604)
Total current portion	(6,805)	(5,544)	467
Deferred			
U.S. federal	8,588	7,701	2,094
State	2,929	2,217	494
Foreign	 2,215	783	564
Total deferred portion	 13,732	10,701	3,152
Total income tax benefit	\$ 6,927 \$	5,157 \$	3,619

Income tax benefit attributable to income before income taxes differs from the amounts computed by applying the U.S. statutory federal income tax rate of 21% to income before income taxes. The reconciliation between the statutory rate and reported amount is as follows:

	2020	2019	2018
		n thousands)	2010
Income taxes at statutory rates	\$ (3,702)\$	(9,031)\$	(9,317)
Earnings from REIT - not subject to tax	2,681	9,526	9,015
State income taxes, net of federal income tax benefit	(446)	(542)	(187)
Provision to return	(4)	2	360
Rate and permanent differences on non-U.S. earnings	(1,175)	(971)	(1,228)
Change in valuation allowance	9,506	2,761	(2,227)
Non-deductible expenses	387	3,462	4,021
Change in uncertain tax positions		(367)	347
Income withholding tax	(1,191)	(212)	(301)
Effect of Tax Cuts and Jobs Act	<u> </u>	_	3,797
Other	871	529	(661)
Total	\$ 6,927 \$	5,157 \$	3,619

The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

	2020	2019
	(In thousand	ls)
Deferred tax assets:		
Net operating loss and credits carryforwards	\$ 21,347 \$	11,806
Accrued expenses	28,707	26,911
Share-based compensation	6,042	4,618
Lease obligations	10,382	9,674
Other assets	1,361	4,420
Total gross deferred tax assets	67,839	57,429
Less: valuation allowance	(9,158)	(16,043)
Total net deferred tax assets	58,681	41,386
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Intangible assets and goodwill	(80,015)	(8,739)
Property, buildings and equipment	(187,114)	(38,358)
Lease right-of-use assets	(10,301)	(9,674)
Other liabilities	(927)	(1,316)
Total gross deferred tax liabilities	 (278,357)	(58,087)
Net deferred tax liability	\$ (219,676)\$	(16,701)

As of December 31, 2020, the U.S. TRS has gross U.S. federal net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$44.7 million, of which \$15.3 million was generated prior to 2018 and will expire between 2032 and 2036. The remaining \$29.4 million in losses have no expiration, but can only be used to offset up to 80% of future taxable income annually. These losses are subject to an annual limitation under IRC section 382 as a result of our IPO and a subsequent ownership change that occurred in March of 2019; however, the limitation should not impair the Company's ability to utilize the losses. The Company has \$87.1 million in REIT U.S. federal net operating loss carryforwards which were obtained through acquisitions. These losses are also subject to an annual limitation under IRC section 382; no deferred tax value has been recorded as they can only be used to reduce required distributions to shareholders, of which none has been used for this purpose.

The Company has gross state net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$40.3 million from its TRSs, of which \$32.6 million will expire at various times between 2021 and 2040. The remaining \$7.7 million was generated after 2017 and have no expiration. The Company received \$2.2 million of its remaining outstanding alternative minimum tax credit refund in 2020. Additionally, the Company has a federal research and experimentation credit of approximately \$1.2 million that will expire between 2036 and 2040.

Annually we consider whether it is more-likely-than-not that the deferred tax assets will be realized. In making this assessment, we consider recent operating results, the expected scheduled reversal of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable benefits and tax planning strategies. As of December 31, 2020, we recorded a valuation allowance of \$9.2 million for the portion of the deferred tax asset that we do not expect to be realized. The valuation allowance on our net deferred taxes decreased by \$6.8 million from \$16.0 million in 2019 to \$9.2 million in 2020. The changes in valuation allowance are primarily due to certain deferred tax liabilities totaling \$11.5 million from acquisitions during the year would be available to offset deferred tax assets for one of our U.S. TRSs that were historically subject to a valuation allowance. The \$11.5 million reduction in valuation

allowance was offset by a \$4.7 million increase of valuation allowance of which \$2.0 million impacted income tax expense.

The following table summarizes the activity related to our gross unrecognized tax benefits for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018:

	 Tax	Interest	Penalties	Total
		(In thousa	nds)	
Balance at December 31, 2018*	\$ 431 \$	— \$	— \$	431
Increase related to current-year tax positions	367	_		367
Decreases due to lapse in statute of limitations	 (431)		<u>—</u>	(431)
Balance at December 31, 2019*	367	_		367
Decreases due to settlement with tax authority	(211)			(211)
Balance at December 31, 2020*	\$ 156 \$	— \$	— \$	156

<sup>\*</sup>Balance would favorably affect the Company's effective tax rate if recognized.

The Company's unrecognized tax benefits include exposures related to positions taken on U.S. federal, state, and foreign income tax returns as of December 31, 2020. Due to a settlement with a taxing authority during 2020, the Company reduced its unrecognized tax benefits related to a foreign exposure to \$0.2 million at the end of 2020.

In the normal course of business, the Company's tax returns are subject to examination by various taxing authorities. While the Company believes that it is adequately reserved for possible audit adjustments, the final resolution of these examinations cannot be determined with certainty and could result in final settlements that differ from current estimates. The Company accrues interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits as a component of income tax expense.

As of December 31, 2020, the Company is generally no longer subject to U.S. federal, state, local, or foreign examinations by tax authorities for years before 2017. However, for U.S. income tax purposes, the 2012 and 2013 tax years were open, to the extent that net operating losses were generated in those years and continue to be subject to adjustments from taxing authorities in the tax year they are utilized.

#### 17. Variable Interest Entities

### New Market Tax Credit

On May 1, 2019, the Company assumed a financing arrangement arising from the New Markets Tax Credit ("NMTC" or "NMTC Transactions") program. These financing arrangements were originated by Cloverleaf in 2015 to monetize state and federal tax credits related to the construction of a cold storage warehouse in Monmouth, Illinois. The NMTC program was provided for in the Community Renewal Tax Relief Act of 2000 ("the Act") and is intended to induce capital investment in qualified lower income communities.

The structure of the financing arrangement is such that Cloverleaf lent money to investment funds into which tax credit investors also made capital contributions. The tax credit investors receive the benefit of the resulting tax credits in exchange for their capital contributions to the investment funds. Tax credits were generated through contribution of the investment fund's proceeds into special purpose entities having authority from the U.S. Department of Treasury to receive tax credits in exchange for qualifying investments. These entities, known as a

Community Development Entities ("CDE"), made qualifying investments in the Monmouth, Illinois cold storage facility in the form of loans payable by Cloverleaf.

The loan agreements for monies lent to the investments funds and amounts payable to the CDEs extend through 2045 but contain provisions permitting dissolution in 2022. This coincides with the conclusion of the seven-year compliance period during which the tax credits may be recognized and the NMTCs are subject to 100% recapture. Based on the nature of the arrangements, we expect them to dissolve in 2022.

The Company has determined that the financing arrangement with the investment funds and CDEs contains a variable interest entity ("VIE"). The ongoing activities of the investment funds - collecting and remitting interest and fees and NMTC compliance - were all considered in the initial design and are not expected to significantly affect economic performance throughout the life of the investment funds. Management considered the contractual arrangements that obligate the Company to deliver tax benefits and provide various other guarantees to the structure; the tax credit investor's lack of a material interest in the underling economics of the project; and the fact that the Company is obligated to absorb losses of the investment funds. The Company concluded that it is the primary beneficiary of the VIE and consolidated the investments funds and CDEs, as VIEs, in accordance with the accounting standards for consolidation.

Through NMTC Transactions, the Company effectively received net loan proceeds equal to the tax credit investor's contributions to the investment funds. At inception of the arrangement in 2015, the benefit of contributions by tax credit investor's totaled approximately \$5.6 million. The Company is recognizing the benefit of the contributions ratably over the life of the project which these proceeds were used to fund.

As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the balance of the deferred contribution liability was \$4.7 million and \$4.9 million, respectively, which is included in "Accounts payable and accrued expenses" on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The VIE does not materially impact the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

The Company is required to be in compliance with various regulations and contractual provisions that apply to the NMTC arrangement. Non-compliance with applicable requirements could result in projected tax benefits not being realized and, therefore, could require the Company to indemnify the tax credit investors for any loss or recapture of NMTCs related to the financing until such time as the obligation to deliver tax benefits is relieved. The Company is in compliance with all applicable requirements and does not anticipate any credit recaptures will result in connection with this arrangement.

### 18. Employee Benefit Plans

#### **Defined Benefit Pension and Post-Retirement Plans**

The Company has defined benefit pension plans that cover certain union and nonunion associates in the U.S. Benefits under these plans are based either on years of credited service and compensation during the years preceding retirement or on years of credited service and established monthly benefit levels. The Company also has a post-retirement plan that provides life insurance coverage to eligible retired associates (collectively, with the defined benefit plans, the U.S. Plans). The Company froze benefit accruals for the U.S. Plans for nonunion associates effective April 1, 2005, and these associates no longer earn additional pension benefits. The Company also has a defined benefit plan that covers certain associates in Australia and is referenced as superannuation (the Offshore Plan). The Company uses a December 31 measurement date for the U.S. Plans and the Offshore Plan.

## Actuarial information regarding these plans is as follows:

		Retirement ncome Plan	National Service-Related Pension Plan	Other Post-Retirement Benefits	Superannuation	Total
Change in benefit obligation:				(In thousands)		
Benefit obligation – January 1, 2020	\$	(45,215) \$	(35,036) \$	(611) \$	(1,152) \$	(82,014)
Service cost		_	_	_	(66)	(66)
Interest cost		(1,261)	(1,117)	(14)	(28)	(2,420)
Actuarial loss		(3,657)	(3,147)	(27)	(72)	(6,903)
Benefits paid		1,358	1,073	5	23	2,459
Plan participants' contributions		1,556	1,073	3	(19)	
Foreign currency translation loss			_			(19)
Effect of settlement		_	_	_	(109)	(109)
Benefit obligation – end of year		1,266	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		1,266
		(47,509)	(38,227)	(647)	(1,423)	(87,806)
Change in plan assets:						
Fair value of plan assets – January 1, 2020		40,111	27,841	_	1,356	69,308
Actual return on plan assets		5,903	4,034	_	44	9,981
Employer contributions		1,640	1,259	5	45	2,949
Benefits paid		(1,358)	(1,073)	(5)	(23)	(2,459)
Effect of settlement			(1,073)	(3)	(23)	
Plan participants' contributions		(1,266)	_			(1,266)
Foreign currency translation gain		_	_	_	19	19
Fair value of plan assets – end of year					129	129
Funded status		45,030	32,061		1,570	78,661
Amounts recognized on the consolidated balance sheet as of December 31,	\$	(2,479) \$	(6,166) \$	(647) \$	147 \$	(9,145)
2020:  Pension and post-retirement liability						
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (income)	\$	(2,479) \$	(6,166) \$	(647) \$	147 \$	(9,145)
• , , ,		5,021	4,473	6	86	9,586
Amounts in accumulated other comprehensive loss consist of: Net loss	•	5.021	4 452 0	c. 0	06.0	0.506
Prior service cost	\$	5,021 \$				9,586
Other changes in plan assets and benefit obligations recognized in other	\$	— \$	— \$	<b>—</b> \$	53 \$	53
comprehensive (income) loss:  Net (gain) loss						
Amortization of net gain	\$	(244) \$	578 \$	(94) \$	102 \$	342
		(1,017)	(607)	_	_	(1,624)
Amortization of prior service cost		_	_	_	(31)	(31)
Amount recognized due to special event		(134)	_	_	_	(134)

	_	_	_	14	14
Total recognized in other comprehensive (income) loss	\$ (1,395) \$	(29) \$	(94) \$	85 \$	(1,433)
Information for plans with accumulated benefit obligation in excess of plan assets:					
Projected benefit obligation	\$ 47,509 \$	38,227 \$	647 \$	1,423 \$	87,806
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$ 47,508 \$	38,227 \$	647 \$	1,297 \$	87,679
Fair value of plan assets	\$ 45,030 \$	32,061 \$	— \$	1,570 \$	78,661

		Retirement ncome Plan	National Service-Related	2019 Other Post-Retirement	Superannuation	Total
Change in benefit obligation:		ircome i ian	Pension Plan	Benefits (In thousands)		
Benefit obligation – January 1, 2019	\$	(43,364) \$	(30,627) \$	(678) \$	(1,385) \$	(76,054)
Service cost	Ψ	(43,304)	(50,027) \$	(070) \$	(78)	(78)
Interest cost		(1.500)	(1.245)	(22)		
Actuarial loss		(1,590)	(1,245)	(23)	(49)	(2,907)
Benefits paid		(3,251)	(4,167)	(62)	(77)	(7,557)
Plan participants' contributions		2,990	1,003	_	447	4,440
Foreign currency translation gain		_	<u> </u>	_	(12)	(12)
Effect of settlement		_	_	_	2	2
Benefit obligation – end of year				152		152
		(45,215)	(35,036)	(611)	(1,152)	(82,014)
Change in plan assets:						
Fair value of plan assets – January 1, 2019		34,958	23,277	_	1,502	59,737
Actual return on plan assets		6,804	4,556	_	237	11,597
Employer contributions		1,339	1,011	152	58	2,560
Benefits paid		(2,990)	(1,003)	_	(447)	(4,440)
Effect of settlement		_	_	(152)	_	(152)
Plan participants' contributions		_	_	_	12	12
Foreign currency translation loss					(6)	(6)
Fair value of plan assets – end of year		40 111	27.941			
Funded status	\$	40,111 (5,104) \$	27,841 (7,195) \$	(611) \$	1,356 204 \$	69,308 (12,706)
Amounts recognized on the consolidated balance sheet as of December 31,	Ψ	(3,104) #	(7,173) \$	(011) \$	204 φ	(12,700)
2019: Pension and post-retirement liability						
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (income)	\$	(5,104) \$	(7,195) \$	(611) \$	204 \$	(12,706)
Amounts in accumulated other comprehensive loss consist of:		6,417	4,501	(21)	62	10,959
Net loss (gain)	\$	6,417 \$	4,501 \$	(21) \$	(15) \$	10,882
Prior service cost	\$	— \$			77 \$	77
Other changes in plan assets and benefit obligations recognized in other comprehensive income (loss):	Φ		, — ş	— <b>\$</b>	// <b>J</b>	77
Net (gain) loss	\$	(1,793) \$	788 \$	(94) \$	(78) \$	(1,177)
Amortization of net (loss) gain		(1,509)	(564)	4	_	(2,069)
Amortization of prior service cost					(28)	(28)
Amount recognized due to special event				5	5	10
Foreign currency translation gain				3		
			_	_	(5)	(5)

Total recognized in other comprehensive loss (income)	\$ (3,302) \$	224 \$	(85) \$	(106) \$	(3,269)
Information for plans with accumulated benefit obligation in excess of plan assets:					
Projected benefit obligation	\$ 45,215 \$	35,036 \$	611 \$	1,152 \$	82,014
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$ 45,215 \$	35,036 \$	611 \$	1,038 \$	81,900
Fair value of plan assets	\$ 40,111 \$	27,841 \$	— \$	1,356 \$	69,308

The components of net period benefit cost for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 are as follows:

			December 31, 202	0	
	etirement come Plan	National Service- Related Pension Plan	Other Post-Retirement Benefits	Superannuation	Total
Components of net periodic benefit cost:			(In thousands)		
Service cost	\$ — \$		\$ - \$	59	\$ 59
Interest cost	1,261	1,117	14	25	2,417
Expected return on plan assets	(2,002)	(1,465)	_	(66)	(3,533)
Amortization of net loss	1,017	607	_	<u> </u>	1,624
Amortization of prior service cost	_	_	_	27	27
Effect of settlement	134		_	_	134
Net pension benefit cost	\$ 410 \$	259	\$ 14 \$	45	\$ 728

			December 31, 201	19	
	 etirement come Plan	National Service-Related Pension Plan	Other Post-Retirement Benefits	Superannuation	Total
Components of net periodic benefit cost:			(In thousands)		
Service cost	\$ _	\$ —	\$ - \$	78	\$ 78
Interest cost	1,590	1,245	23	49	2,907
Expected return on plan assets	(1,760)	(1,176)	_	(74)	(3,010)
Amortization of net loss (gain)	1,509	564	(4)	_	2,069
Amortization of prior service cost	_	<u> </u>	_	28	28
Effect of settlement		_	(5)	(5)	(10)
Net pension benefit cost	\$ 1,339	\$ 633	\$ 14 \$	76	\$ 2,062

			December 31, 20	18	
	Retirement ncome Plan	National Service- Related Pension Plan	Other Post-Retirement Benefits	Superannuation	Total
Components of net periodic benefit cost:			(In thousands)		
Service cost	\$ 31	\$ 78	\$ - \$	137 \$	246
Interest cost	1,418	1,199	20	104 \$	2,741
Expected return on plan assets	(2,047)	(1,369)	_	(172) \$	(3,588)
Amortization of net loss	1,244	715	_	— \$	1,959
Amortization of prior service cost	_	_	_	30 \$	30
Effect of settlement	 _			68 \$	68
Net pension benefit cost	\$ 646	\$ 623	\$ 20 \$	167 \$	1,456

The service cost component of defined benefit pension cost and postretirement benefit cost are presented in "Selling, general and administrative" and all other components of net period benefit cost are presented in "Other (expense) income, net" on the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The Company recognizes all changes in the fair value of plan assets and net actuarial gains or losses at December 31 each year. Prior service costs and gains/losses are amortized based on a straight-line method over the average future service of members that are expected to receive benefits.

All actuarial gains/losses are exposed to amortization over an average future service period of 5.8 years for the Retirement Income Plan, 6.9 years for the National Service-Related Pension Plan, 4.7 years for Other Post-Retirement Benefits, and 5.1 years for Superannuation as of December 31, 2020.

The weighted average assumptions used to determine benefit obligations and net period benefit costs for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 are as follows:

		December	r 31, 2020	
	Retirement Income Plan	National Service- Related Pension Plan	Other Post-Retirement Benefits	Superan- nuation
Weighted-average assumptions used to determine obligations (balance sheet):				
Discount rate	2.10%	2.49%	1.41%	1.50%
Rate of compensation increase	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.25%
Weighted-average assumptions used to determine net periodic benefit cost (statement of operations):				
Discount rate	3.00%	3.25%	2.55%	2.30%
Expected return on plan assets	6.50%	6.50%	N/A	5.00%
Rate of compensation increase	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.25%
		December	31, 2019	
		National Service-	0.41	
	Retirement Income Plan		Other Post-Retirement Benefits	Superan- nuation
Weighted-average assumptions used to determine obligations (balance sheet):		Related Pension	Post-Retirement	
Weighted-average assumptions used to determine obligations (balance sheet):  Discount rate		Related Pension	Post-Retirement	
(balance sheet):	Plan	Related Pension Plan	Post-Retirement Benefits	nûation
(balance sheet): Discount rate	Plan 3.00%	Related Pension Plan  3.25%	Post-Retirement Benefits  2.55%	nuation 2.30%
(balance sheet):  Discount rate Rate of compensation increase Weighted-average assumptions used to determine net periodic	Plan 3.00%	Related Pension Plan  3.25%	Post-Retirement Benefits  2.55%	nuation 2.30%
(balance sheet):  Discount rate Rate of compensation increase Weighted-average assumptions used to determine net periodic benefit cost (statement of operations):	3.00% N/A	Related Pension Plan  3.25% N/A	Post-Retirement Benefits  2.55% N/A	2.30% 3.25%

	December 31, 2018					
	Retirement Income Plan	National Service- Related Pension Plan	Other Post-Retirement Benefits	Superan- nuation		
Weighted-average assumptions used to determine obligations (balance sheet):				_		
Discount rate	3.95%	4.15%	3.70%	3.70%		
Rate of compensation increase	3.50%	N/A	N/A	3.25%		
Weighted-average assumptions used to determine net periodic benefit cost (statement of operations):						
Discount rate	3.35%	3.65%	3.10%	3.70%		
Expected return on plan assets	7.00%	7.00%	N/A	6.00%		
Rate of compensation increase	3.50%	N/A	N/A	4.00%		

The estimated net loss for the defined benefit plans in the U.S. that will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive loss into net periodic benefit cost during 2021 is \$1.5 million. There is no estimated prior service cost associated with this plan to be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive income during 2021.

There is no estimated net gain for the Offshore Plan that will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive income into net periodic benefit cost during 2021. The estimated prior service cost associated with this plan to be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive income during 2021 is nominal.

The Company determines the expected return on plan assets based on their market value as of December 31 of each year, as adjusted for a) expected employer contributions, b) expected benefit distributions, and c) estimated administrative expenses.

### **Plan Assets**

The Company's overall investment strategy is to achieve a mix of investments for long-term growth and near-term benefit payments. The Company invests in both U.S. and non-U.S. equity securities, fixed-income securities, and real estate.

The allocations of the U.S. Plans' and the Offshore Plan's investments by fair value as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

	U.S. Plans			Offshore Plan			
	Actual		_	Actual			
	2020	2019	Target Allocation	2020	2019	Target Allocation	
U.S. equities	37%	35%	25%–55%	18%	20%	19%	
Non-U.S. equities	27%	25%	15%-45%	39%	42%	39%	
Fixed-income securities	32%	35%	15%-40%	9%	8%	15%	
Real estate	4%	5%	0-5%	10%	8%	8%	
Cash and other	<u> </u> %	<u> </u> %	<u> </u> %	24%	22%	19%	

To develop the assumption for the long-term rate of return on assets, the Company considered the historical returns and the future expectations for returns for each asset class, as well as the target asset allocation of the U.S. Plans' and Offshore Plan's assets and the effect of periodic rebalancing, consistent with the Company's

investment strategies. For 2021, the Company expects to receive a long-term rate of return of 6.0% for the U.S. Plans and 5.0% for the Offshore Plan. All plans are invested to maximize the return on assets while minimizing risk by diversifying across a broad range of asset classes.

The fair values of the Company's pension plan assets as of December 31, 2020, by category, are as follow:

	À	noted Prices in ctive Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	;	Significant ervable Inputs Und (Level 2)	Significant observable Inputs (Level 3)	Balance as of December 31, 2020
Assets	(In thousands)					
U.S. equities:						
Large cap <sup>(1)</sup>	\$		\$	20,960 \$	_	\$ 20,960
Medium cap <sup>(1)</sup>		_		4,024	<del>_</del>	4,024
Small cap <sup>(1)</sup>		1,365		1,936	_	3,301
Non-U.S. equities:						
Large cap <sup>(2)</sup>		16,183		_	_	16,183
Emerging markets <sup>(3)</sup>		4,759		_	_	4,759
Fixed-income securities:						
Money markets <sup>(4)</sup>		_		2,163	_	2,163
U.S. bonds <sup>(5)</sup>		11,067		3,581	_	14,648
Non-U.S. bonds <sup>(5)</sup>		7,635		_	_	7,635
Real estate <sup>(6)</sup>		_		3,417	_	3,417
Common/collective trusts				1,571	<u>—</u>	1,571
Total assets	\$	41,009	\$	37,652 \$		\$ 78,661

The fair values of the Company's pension plan assets as of December 31, 2019, by category, are as follows:

	Quoted Prices Active Markets Identical Asso (Level 1)	for Significant	Significant s Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Balance as of December 31, 2019
Assets		(In	thousands)	
U.S. equities:				
Large cap <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	<b>—</b> \$ 17,698		\$ 17,698
Medium cap <sup>(1)</sup>		3,404	<del>-</del>	3,404
Small cap <sup>(1)</sup>	1,3	1,360	_	2,720
Non-U.S. equities:				
Large cap <sup>(2)</sup>	12,9	- 19 —	_	12,919
Emerging markets <sup>(3)</sup>	4,0	<b>–</b>	- <u> </u>	4,060
Fixed-income securities:				
Money markets <sup>(4)</sup>		3,381	<u> </u>	3,381
U.S. bonds <sup>(5)</sup>	10,1	72 3,397	_	13,569
Non-U.S. bonds <sup>(5)</sup>	6,8	<del>-</del> 06	- <u> </u>	6,806
Real estate <sup>(6)</sup>		3,395	· —	3,395
Common/collective trusts			<u> </u>	1,356
Total assets	\$ 35,3	17 \$ 33,991	-	\$ 69,308

- (1) Includes funds that primarily invest in U.S. common stock.
- (2) Includes funds that invest primarily in foreign equity and equity-related securities.
- (3) Includes funds that invest primarily in equity securities of companies in emerging market countries.
- (4) Includes funds that invest primarily in short-term securities, such as commercial paper.
- (5) Includes funds either publicly traded (Level 1) or within a separate account (Level 2) held by a regulated investment company. These funds hold primarily debt and fixed-income securities.
- (6) Includes funds in a separate account held by a regulated investment company that invest primarily in commercial real estate and includes mortgage loans which are backed by the associated properties. The Company can call the investment in these assets with no restrictions.

The U.S. Plans' assets are in commingled funds that are valued using net asset values. The net asset values are based on the value of the underlying assets owned by the fund, minus its liabilities, and then divided by the number of shares outstanding. The pension assets are classified as Level 1 when the net asset values are based on a quoted price in an active market. The U.S. Plans' assets are classified as Level 2 when the net asset value is based on a quoted price on a private market that is not active and the underlying investments are traded on an active market.

The Offshore Plans are common/collective trusts and commingled trusts investments, which invest in other collective trust funds otherwise known as the underlying funds. The Company's interests in the commingled trust funds are based on the fair values of the investments of the underlying funds and therefore are classified as Level 2.

As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Company does not have any investments classified as Level 3.

#### **Cash Flow**

The Company expects to contribute to all plans an aggregate of \$2.5 million in 2021.

#### **Estimated Future Benefit Payments**

The following benefit payments, which reflect expected future services, as appropriate, are expected to be paid for all plans as of December 31, 2020:

Years Ending December 31:	(In	thousands)
2021	\$	6,357
2022		5,688
2023		5,286
2024		5,286
2025		5,028
Thereafter		23,244
	\$	50,889

#### **Multi-Employer Plans**

The Company contributes to a number of multi-employer benefit plans under the terms of collective bargaining agreements that cover union-represented associates. These plans generally provide for retirement, death, and/or termination benefits for eligible associates within the applicable collective bargaining units, based on specific eligibility/participation requirements, vesting periods, and benefit formulas. The risks of participating in these multi-employer plans are different from single-employer plans in the following aspects:

- Assets contributed to the multi-employer plan by one employer may be used to provide benefits to associates of other current or former participating employers.
- If a participating employer stops contributing to the multi-employer plan without paying its unfunded liability, the unfunded obligations of the plan may be borne by the remaining participating employers.
- If the Company chooses to cease participation in a multi-employer plan, such full withdrawal is subject to the payment of any unfunded liability applicable to the Company, referred to as a withdrawal liability. Additionally, such withdrawal is subject to collective bargaining.

The table below outlines the Company's participation in multi-employer pension plans for the periods ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, and sets forth the contributions into each plan. The "EIN/Pension Plan Number" column provides the Employer Identification Number (EIN) and the three-digit plan number. The most recent Pension Protection Act zone status available in 2018 and 2019 relates to the plans' two most recent fiscal year-ends. The zone status is based on information that we received from the plans' administrators and is certified by each plan's actuary. Among other factors, plans certified in the red zone are generally less than 65% funded, plans certified in the orange zone are (i) less than 80% funded and (ii) have an accumulated funding deficiency or are expected to have a deficiency in any of the next six plan years, plans certified in the yellow zone are less than 80% funded, and plans certified in the green zone are at least 80% funded. The "FIP/RP Status Pending/Implemented" column indicates whether a financial improvement plan (FIP) for yellow/orange zone plans, or a rehabilitation plan (RP) for red zone plans, is either pending or has been implemented. As of December 31, 2020,

all plans that have either a FIP or RP requirement have had the respective FIP or RP implemented (see table below).

The Company's collective-bargained contributions satisfy the requirements of all implemented FIPs and RPs and do not currently require the payment of any surcharges. In addition, minimum contributions outside the agreed-upon contractual rate are not required. For the plans detailed in the following table, the expiration dates of the associated collective bargaining agreements range from February 13, 2019 to June 30, 2026. For all the plans detailed in the following table, the Company has not contributed more than 5% of the total plan contribution for 2020, 2019 and 2018.

The Company contributes to multi-employer plans that cover approximately 46% of union associates. The amounts charged to expense within the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 were \$18.1 million, \$18.0 million and \$17.4 million, respectively. Projected minimum contributions required for the upcoming fiscal year are approximately \$18.3 million.

During the third quarter of 2017, the Company recorded a charge of \$9.2 million representing the present value of a liability associated with its withdrawal obligation under the New England Teamsters & Trucking Industry Multi-Employer Pension Fund (the Fund) for hourly, unionized associates at four of its domestic warehouse facilities. The Fund is significantly underfunded in accordance with Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) funding standards and, therefore, ERISA required the Fund to develop a Rehabilitation Plan. The Fund Trustees chose to create a new fund that minimizes the pension withdrawal liability. As a result, current employers participating in the Fund were given the opportunity to exit the Fund and convert to a new fund. The Company's portion of the unfunded liability (undiscounted), estimated at \$13.7 million, will be repaid in equal monthly installments of approximately \$0.04 million over 30 years, interest free. The Company recognized an expense and related liability equal to the present value of the withdrawal liability upon exiting the Fund, and amortizes the difference between such present value and the estimated unfunded liability through interest expense over the repayment period.

	EIN/Pension —		Protection one Status	FID/DD C4-4 - D P	,	Americo	d Contributio	ons	C
Pension Fund	Plan Number	2020	2019	—FIP/RP Status Pending Implemented	3/ —	2020	2019	2018	Surcharge Imposed
						(In	thousands)		
Central Pension Fund of the International Union of Operating Engineers and Participating Employers (2)	36-6052390	Green	Green	No	\$	11 \$	6 \$	6	No
Central States SE & SW Areas Health and Welfare Pension Plans <sup>(1)</sup>	36-6044243	Red	Red	Yes/ Implemented		9,132	9,238	8,424	No
New England Teamsters & Trucking Industry Pension Plan <sup>(3)</sup>	04-6372430	Red	Red	Yes/ Implemented		456	456	456	No
Alternative New England Teamsters & Trucking Industry Pension Plan	04-6372430	Red	Red	No		404	449	493	No
I.U.O.E Stationary Engineers Local 39 Pension Fund (1)	94-6118939	Green	Green	No		119	194	160	No
United Food & Commercial Workers International Union-Industry Pension Fund (4)	51-6055922	Green	Green	No		126	105	90	No
Western Conference of Teamsters Pension Fund (1)	91-6145047	Green	Green	No		7,727	7,398	7,632	No
Minneapolis Food Distributing Industry Pension Plan (1)	41-6047047	Green	Green	Yes/ Implemented		146	116	180	No
				Total Contributions	\$	18,121 \$	17,962 \$	17,441	

The status information is for the plans' year end at December 31, 2020 and 2019.

### **Government-Sponsored Plans**

The Company contributes to certain government-sponsored plans in Australia and Argentina. The amounts charged to expense within the Consolidated Statements of Operations and for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 were \$6.1 million, \$5.8 million and \$5.7 million, respectively.

### **Defined Contribution Plan**

The Company has defined contribution employee benefit plans, which cover all eligible associates. The plans also allow contributions by plan participants in accordance with Section 401(k) of the IRC. The Company matches a percentage of each employee's contributions consistent with the provisions of the plans. The aggregate cost of our contributions to the 401(k) Plan charged to expense within the Consolidated Statements of Operations for each of the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 was \$5.7 million, \$4.2 million and \$3.9 million, respectively.

#### **Deferred Compensation**

The Company has deferred compensation and supplemental retirement plan agreements with certain of its executives. The agreements provide for certain benefits at retirement or disability and also provide for survivor benefits in the event of death of the employee. The Company contribution amounts charged to expense relative to this plan were nominal for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018.

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The status information is for the plans' year end at January 31, 2020 and 2019. The status information is for the plans' year end at September 30, 2020 and 2019. The Company withdrew from the multi-employer plan on October, 31, 2017.

The status information is for the plans' year end at June 30, 2020 and 2019.

### 19. Commitments and Contingencies

#### **Letters of Credit**

As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, there were \$21.7 million and \$23.0 million, respectively, of outstanding letters of credit issued on the Company's Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility.

### **Bonds**

The Company had outstanding surety bonds of \$10.1 million and \$4.3 million as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. These bonds were issued primarily in connection with insurance requirements, special real estate assessments and construction obligations. The increase relates to subdivision bonds required for the construction of a new site in Pennsylvania.

#### **Construction Commitments**

As of December 31, 2020, the Company had the following construction commitments related to its expansion of existing warehouse facilities:

Facility	c	Committed onstruction cost (in thousands)	Expected construction completion period		
Atlanta, GA	\$	66,554	Q2 2021		
Plainville, CT		86,681	Q3 2022		
Lancaster, PA		80,500	Q3 2022		
Russellville, AR		71,375	Q4 2022		
Auckland, New Zealand		24,827	Q2 2021		
Calgary, Canada		9,728	Q4 2021		
Total construction commitments	\$	339,665			

### **Collective Bargaining Agreements**

As of December 31, 2020, worldwide we employed approximately 16,300people. Currently, 47% of the Company's labor force is covered by collective bargaining agreements, and 84 of our 238 warehouses have unionized associates that are governed by 73 different collective bargaining agreements. During 2020, we have successfully negotiated and renewed 19 agreements.

During 2021, the Company will be renegotiating 11 collective bargaining agreements, which make up approximately 3.3% of our employee population, covering all or parts of 13 operating warehouses worldwide. The Company does not anticipate any workplace disruptions during this renegotiation process.

### **Legal Proceedings**

In assessing loss contingencies related to legal proceedings that are pending against the Company or unasserted claims that may result in such proceedings, the Company and its legal counsel evaluate the merits of any legal proceedings or unasserted claims, as well as the perceived merits of the amount of relief sought or expected to be

sought. If the assessment of a contingency suggests that a loss is probable, and the amount can be reasonably estimated, then a loss is recorded.

In addition to the matters discussed below, the Company may be subject to litigation and claims arising from the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, after consultation with legal counsel, the outcome of such matters is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows.

### Kansas Breach of Settlement Agreement Litigation

This case was served against the Company in Wyandotte County, Kansas, on January 17, 2013, alleging breach of a 1994 Settlement Agreement reached with customers of our predecessor company, Americold Corporation. The plaintiffs originally brought claims in 1992 arising from a fire the previous year in an underground warehouse facility.

As a part of the 1994 settlement Americold Corporation agreed to the entry of a \$58.7 million judgment against it and assigned its rights to proceed against its insurer to satisfy the judgment. The settlement agreement contained a standard "cooperation provision" in which Americold Corporation agreed to execute any additional documents necessary to fulfill the intent of the settlement agreement. The plaintiffs then sued Americold Corporation's insurer to recover on the consent judgment. The case was ultimately dismissed in 2012, and the Kansas Supreme Court ruled that the 1994 consent judgment had expired and was not revivable as a matter of law.

On September 24, 2012, the plaintiffs filed a separate claim in the district court of Wyandotte County, Kansas, alleging that the Company and one of its subsidiaries, Americold Logistics, LLC, as successors to Americold Corporation, are liable for the full amount of the judgment, based upon the allegation that the Company failed to execute a document or take action to keep the judgment alive and viable.

On February 7, 2013, the Company removed the case to the U.S. federal court and ultimately filed a motion for summary judgment. The court granted the Company's motion and dismissed the case.. Only one plaintiff appealed the dismissal to the U.S. Court of Appeals. The Court of Appeals ordered that the case be remanded to the Kansas state court and the judgment in favor of Americold be vacated, finding U.S. federal diversity jurisdiction did not exist over the Company.

The Company appealed this decision to the United States Supreme Court and on March 7, 2016, the United States Supreme Court ruled that there was no federal diversity jurisdiction. Following the decision, the United States District Court for the District of Kansas entered an Order vacating the summary judgment and remanding the case to Kansas state court.

Following remand to Kansas state court, Plaintiffs initially petitioned the court to amend their complaint to drop their claim for damages and only seek an Order of Specific Performance requiring Americold to sign a new document reinstating the consent judgment assigned in the 1994 Settlement Agreement. Plaintiffs filed a later motion to add back the damages claim, which was granted in February 2018.

Since December 31, 2018, the court granted the Company's motions to dismiss Kraft and Safeway from the case given they did not appeal the District Court's Order dismissing their claims and are bound by the judgment entered against them. The Kraft and Safeway plaintiffs have appealed their dismissals. The trial court has stayed the proceedings pending the appeal. In addition, the Company has sued the Chubb Group seeking the court's declaration that Chubb owes coverage of the amounts sought by Plaintiffs and for bad faith damages for denying coverage. Given the status of the proceedings to date, the Company believes it has strong defenses to the claims.

At this time, a liability amount cannot be reasonably estimated. The Company believes the ultimate outcome of this matter will not have a material adverse impact on its consolidated financial statements.

### Preferred Freezer Services, LLC Litigation

On February 11, 2019, Preferred Freezer Services, LLC ("PFS") moved by Order to Show Cause in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, New York County, asserting breach of contract and other claims against the Company and seeking to preliminarily enjoin the Company from acting to acquire certain properties leased by PFS. In its complaint and request for preliminary injunctive relief, PFS alleged that the Company breached a confidentiality agreement entered into in connection with the Company's participation in a bidding process for the sale of PFS by contacting PFS's landlords and by using confidential PFS information in bidding for the properties leased by PFS (the "PFS Action")/

PFS's request for a preliminary injunction was denied after oral argument on February 26, 2019. On March 1, 2019, PFS filed an application for interim injunctive relief from the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, First Judicial Department.

On April 2, 2019, while its application to the First Department was pending, PFS voluntarily dismissed its state court action, and First Department application, and re-filed substantially the same claims against the Company in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. In addition to an order enjoining Americold from making offers to purchase the properties leased by PFS, PFS sought compensatory, consequential and/or punitive damages. The Company filed a motion to require PFS to reimburse the Company for its legal fees it incurred for the state court action before PFS is allowed to proceed in the federal court action. On February 18, 2020, the Court granted Americold's request for an award of legal fees from PFS but declined to stay the case pending payment of that award. As to the amount of the award, the Company and PFS have entered into a stipulation that PFS will pay Americold \$550,000 to reimburse the Company for its legal fees upon conclusion of the case. PFS has since amended its complaint, and Americold has filed a motion to dismiss that amended complaint.

On June 25, 2020, Fenway Polar Representative ("Fenway"), an entity alleging to represent the interests of the former shareholders of PFS, filed a lawsuit in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, New York County making similar factual allegations as those made in the PFS Action and seeking damages in excess of \$400 hundred million due to the Company's alleged fraudulent and tortious interference in the sale of PFS (the "Fenway Action").

The Company denies the allegations and believes PFS's claims are without merit and intends to vigorously defend itself against the allegations. Given the status of the proceedings to date, a liability cannot be reasonably estimated. The Company believes the ultimate outcome of this matter will not have a material adverse impact on its consolidated financial statements.

### **Environmental Matters**

The Company is subject to a wide range of environmental laws and regulations in each of the locations in which the Company operates. Compliance with these requirements can involve significant capital and operating costs. Failure to comply with these requirements can result in civil or criminal fines or sanctions, claims for environmental damages, remediation obligations, the revocation of environmental permits, or restrictions on the Company's operations.

The Company records accruals for environmental matters when it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount of the liability can be reasonably estimated based on current law and existing technologies. The Company adjusts these accruals periodically as assessment and remediation efforts progress or as additional technical or legal information become available. The Company recorded nominal environmental liabilities in accounts payable and accrued expenses as of December 31, 2020 and 2019. The Company believes it is in compliance with applicable environmental regulations in all material respects. Under various U.S. federal, state, and local environmental laws, a current or previous owner or operator of real estate may be liable for the entire cost of investigating, removing, and/or remediating hazardous or toxic substances on such property. Such laws often impose liability whether or not the owner or operator knew of, or was responsible for, the contamination. Even if more than one person may have been responsible for the contamination, each person covered by the environmental laws may be held responsible for the entire clean-up cost. There are no material unrecorded liabilities as of December 31, 2020, and any liabilities associated with these considerations are considered remote and not estimable. Most of the Company's warehouses utilize ammonia as a refrigerant. Ammonia is classified as a hazardous chemical regulated by the Environmental Protection Agency, and an accident or significant release of ammonia from a warehouse could result in injuries, loss of life, and property damage.

### Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA)

The Company's warehouses located in the U.S. are subject to regulation under OSHA, which requires employers to provide associates with an environment free from hazards, such as exposure to toxic chemicals, excessive noise levels, mechanical dangers, heat or cold stress, and unsanitary conditions. The cost of complying with OSHA and similar laws enacted by states and other jurisdictions in which we operate can be substantial, and any failure to comply with these regulations could expose us to substantial penalties and potentially to liabilities to associates who may be injured at our warehouses. The Company records accruals for OSHA matters when it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount of the liability can be reasonably estimated. The Company believes that it is in substantial compliance with all OSHA regulations and that no material unrecorded liabilities exist as of December 31, 2020 and 2019. Future changes in applicable environmental laws or regulations, or in the interpretation of such laws and regulations, could negatively impact us.

#### 20. Accumulated Other Comprehensive (Loss) Income

The Company reports activity in AOCI for foreign currency translation adjustments, including the translation adjustment for investments in partially owned entities, unrealized gains and losses on designated derivatives, and minimum pension liability adjustments (net of tax). The activity in AOCI for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 is as follows:

		2020	2019		2018
Pension and other postretirement benefits:			(In thousand	s)	
Balance at beginning of period, net of tax	\$	(4,758)	\$ (8,02	7)	\$ (7,126)
(Loss) gain arising during the period		(317)	1,18	0	(2,926)
Less: Tax expense		25		3	27
Net (loss) gain arising during the period		(342)	1,17		(2,953)
Amortization of net loss and prior service cost (1)		1,775	2,09		2,052
Net amount reclassified from AOCI to net income (loss)		1,775	2,09		2,052
Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax		1,433	3,26		(901)
Balance at end of period, net of tax		•	(4,75		(8,027)
Foreign currency translation adjustments:		(3,325)	(4,73	<u> </u>	(8,027)
Balance at beginning of period, net of tax		(6,710)	(2.22	2)	0.210
Gain (loss) on foreign currency translation			(3,32		8,318
Derecognition of cumulative foreign currency translation gain upon sale of partially owned entities (2)		9,944	(78		(11,640)
Net gain (loss) on foreign currency translation	_	<u> </u>	(2,60		_
Balance at end of period, net of tax		9,944	(3,38	8)	(11,640)
Designated derivatives:		3,234	(6,71	0)	(3,322)
Balance at beginning of period, net of tax					
Unrealized (loss) gain on cash flow hedge derivatives		(2,658)	(1,16	6)	(1,422)
Unrealized gain on net investment hedge derivative		(30,168) 5,250	(1,45	0)	862
Less: Tax expense		3,230			173
Net (loss) gain designated derivatives		(24.010)	(1.45		
Net amount reclassified from AOCI to net income (loss) (interest expense)		(24,918)	(1,45		689
Net amount reclassified from AOCI to net income (loss) (loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and		3,442	(30	6)	1,191
termination of derivative instruments)		7,688	_	_	1,825
Net amount reclassified from AOCI to net income (loss) (foreign exchange loss (gain), net)		12,158	26	4	(3,449)
Balance at end of period, net of tax		(4,288)	(2,65	8)	(1,166)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	<u> </u>	(4,379)	\$ (14,12	6)	\$ (12,515)
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<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts reclassified from AOCI for pension liabilities are recorded in selling, general, and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

<sup>(2)</sup> Amount reclassified from AOCI for the derecognition of cumulative foreign currency translation gain related to the sale of partially owned entities is recognized in Gain from sale of partially owned entities in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

### 21. Geographic Concentrations

The following table provides geographic information for the Company's total revenues for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, and total assets as of December 31, 2020 and 2019:

		<b>Total Revenues</b>			<b>Total Assets</b>		
		2020	2019	2018		2020	2019
	_		(	In thousands)			
North America	\$	1,729,657 \$	1,527,270 \$	1,332,146	\$	6,067,809 \$	3,821,555
Europe		_	_	_		1,329,755	
Asia-Pacific		248,494	246,788	259,737		375,082	341,334
South America		9,576	9,647	11,752		58,505	7,794
	\$	1,987,727 \$	1,783,705 \$	1,603,635	\$	7,831,151 \$	4,170,683

The following table provides long-lived assets by geography for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019:

	Long-Lived As	ssets
	2020	2019
	(In thousand	ls)
North America	\$ 4,133,145 \$	2,815,567
Europe	785,813	_
Asia-Pacific	246,162	245,453
South America	50,975	4,301
	\$ 5,216,095 \$	3,065,321

### 22. Segment Information

Our principal operations are organized into four reportable segments: Warehouse, Third-party managed, Transportation and Other.

• Warehouse. Our primary source of revenues consists of rent and storage and warehouse services fees. Our rent and storage and warehouse services revenues are the key drivers of our financial performance. Rent and storage revenues consist of recurring, periodic charges related to the storage of frozen and perishable food and other products in our warehouses. We also provide these customers with a wide array of handling and other warehouse services, such as (1) receipt, handling and placement of products into our warehouses for storage and preservation, (2) retrieval of products from storage upon customer request, (3) blast freezing, which involves the rapid freezing of non-frozen products, including individual quick freezing for agricultural produce and seafood, (4) case-picking, which involves selecting product cases to build customized pallets, (5) kitting and repackaging, which involves assembling custom product packages for delivery to retailers and consumers, and labeling services, (6) order assembly and load consolidation, (7) exporting and importing support services, (8) container handling, (9) cross-docking, which involves transferring inbound products to outbound trucks utilizing our warehouse docks without storing them in our warehouses, and (10) government-approved temperature-controlled storage and inspection services. We may charge our customers in advance

for storage and outbound handling fees. Cost of operations for our warehouse segment consists of power, other facilities costs, labor and other services costs.

- Third-party managed. We receive management and incentive fees, as well as reimbursement of substantially all expenses, for warehouses and logistics services that we manage on behalf of third-party owners/customers. Cost of operations for our third-party managed segment are reimbursed on a pass-through basis (typically within two weeks), with all reimbursements, plus an applicable mark-up, recognized as revenues under the relevant accounting guidance.
- *Transportation.* We charge transportation fees, including fuel surcharges, to our customers for whom we arrange the transportation of their products. Cost of operations for our transportation segment consist primarily of third-party carrier charges, which are impacted by factors affecting those carriers.
- *Other*. In addition to our primary business segments, we owned a limestone quarry in Carthage, Missouri. Revenues were generated from the sale of limestone mined at our quarry. Cost of operations for our quarry consisted primarily of labor, equipment, fuel and explosives. We do not view the operation of the quarry as an integral part of our business, and as a result this business segment was subsequently sold on July 1, 2020.

Our reportable segments are strategic business units separated by service offerings. Each reportable segment is managed separately and requires different operational and marketing strategies. The accounting polices used in the preparation of our reportable segments financial information are the same as those used in the preparation of its consolidated financial statements.

Our chief operating decision maker uses revenues and segment contribution to evaluate segment performance. We calculate segment contribution as earnings before interest expense, taxes, depreciation and amortization, and excluding corporate selling, general and administrative expense, acquisition, litigation and other expense, impairment of long-lived assets, gain or loss on sale of real estate and all components of non-operating other income and expense. Selling, general and administrative functions support all the business segments. Therefore, the related expense is not allocated to segments as the chief operating decision maker does not use it to evaluate segment performance.

Segment contribution is not a measurement of financial performance under GAAP, and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. You should not consider our segment contribution as an alternative to operating income determined in accordance with GAAP.

The following table presents segment revenues and contributions with a reconciliation to Income before income tax benefit for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018:

	Years Ended December 31,				31,	
		2020		2019		2018
			(In tl	nousands)		
Segment revenues:						
Warehouse	\$	1,549,314	\$	1,377,217	\$	1,176,912
Third-party managed		291,751		252,939		259,034
Transportation		142,203		144,844		158,790
Other		4,459		8,705		8,899
Total revenues		1,987,727		1,783,705		1,603,635
Segment contribution:						
Warehouse		520,333		447,591		374,534
Third-party managed		12,228		11,761		14,760
Transportation		18,807		18,067		15,735
Other		130		838		620
Total segment contribution		551,498		478,257		405,649
Reconciling items:		(015.001)		(4.60.0.40)		(11= (-2)
Depreciation and amortization		(215,891)		(163,348)		(117,653)
Selling, general and administrative		(144,738)		(129,310)		(110,825)
Acquisition, litigation and other		(36,306)		(40,614)		(3,935)
Impairment of long-lived assets		(8,236)		(13,485)		(747)
Gain (loss) from sale of real estate		22,124		(34)		7,471
Interest expense		(91,481)		(94,408)		(93,312)
Interest income		1,162		6,286		3,996
Bridge loan commitment fees		(2,438)		(2,665)		_
Loss on debt extinguishment, modifications and termination of derivative		(0.075)				(45.550)
instruments		(9,975)		10		(47,559)
Foreign currency exchange (loss) gain, net		(45,278)		10		2,882
Other expense, net		(2,563)		(1,870)		(532)
Loss from partially owned entities		(250)		(111)		(1,069)
Gain from sale of partially owned entities				4,297		
Income before income tax benefit	\$	17,628	\$	43,005	\$	44,366

The following table details our assets by reportable segments, with a reconciliation to total assets reported for each of the periods presented in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets.

	Years Ended	Dece	mber 31,
	 2020		2019
	(In tho	usand	ls)
Assets:			
Warehouse	\$ 4,815,587	\$	3,684,391
Third-party managed	52,818		47,867
Transportation	151,872		50,666
Other	35		13,467
Total segments assets	 5,020,312		3,796,391
Reconciling items:			
Corporate assets	621,836		374,292
Unallocated acquisitions <sub>(1)</sub>	2,144,096		
Investments in partially owned entities	44,907		_
Total reconciling items	2,810,839		374,292
Total assets	\$ 7,831,151	\$	4,170,683

The following table details our additions to long-lived assets by segment.

	 December 31, 2020								
	Warehouse Managed		Transportation	Unallocated acquisitions <sub>(1)</sub>	Total				
			(In thousands)						
Property, buildings and equipment	\$ 916,334 \$	— \$	66,536 \$	1,079,910 \$	2,062,780				
Financing leases	37,469	1,389	_	46,845	85,703				
Operating lease right-of-use assets	39,656	_	5,280	191,229	236,165				
Total	\$ 993,459 \$	1,389 \$	71,816 \$	1,317,984 \$	2,384,648				

	December 31, 2019							
	Warehouse	Managed	Quarry	Transportation	Total			
			(In thousands)		_			
Property, buildings and equipment	\$ 1,277,162 \$	32	\$ 405 \$	9,892 \$	1,287,491			
Financing leases	30,653	_	161	_	30,814			
Operating lease right-of-use assets	12,467	12	13	_	12,492			
Total	\$ 1,320,282 \$	44	\$ 579 \$	9,892 \$	1,330,797			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(1)</sup>The assets acquired in 2020 related to the Agro acquisition are reflected in the tables above within the row titled 'Unallocated Acquisitions' as the acquired assets have not yet been assigned to the respective segments as of December 31, 2020 given the short period of time between the acquisition date, December 30, 2020, and year-end. We expect the assets will be assigned to the Warehouse and Transportation segments during the measurement period.

### 23. Earnings per Common Share

Basic and diluted earnings per common share are calculated by dividing the net income or loss attributable to common shareholders by the basic and diluted weighted-average number of common shares outstanding in the period, respectively, using the allocation method prescribed by the two-class method. The Company applies this method to compute earnings per share because it distributes non-forfeitable dividend equivalents on restricted stock units and OP units granted to certain associates and non-employee trustees who have the right to participate in the distribution of common dividends while the restricted stock units and OP units are unvested.

The shares issuable upon settlement of forward sale agreements are reflected in the diluted earnings per share calculations using the treasury stock method. Under this method, the number of the Company's common shares used in calculating diluted earnings per share is deemed to be increased by the excess, if any, of the number of common shares that would be issued upon full physical settlement of the forward sale agreements over the number of common shares that could be purchased by the Company in the market (based on the average market price during the period) using the proceeds receivable upon full physical settlement (based on the adjusted forward sale price at the end of the reporting period). If and when the Company physically or net share settles the forward sale agreements, the delivery of common shares would result in an increase in the number of shares outstanding and dilution to earnings per share.

A reconciliation of the basic and diluted weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 is as follows:

	Year ended December 31,				
	2020	2020 2019			
	(In thousands)				
Weighted average common shares outstanding – basic	203,255	179,598	141,415		
Dilutive effect of share-based awards	1,532	1,660	2,662		
Equity forward contracts	2,153	2,692	261		
Weighted average common shares outstanding – diluted	206,940	183,950	144,338		

The table below presents the weighted-average number of antidilutive potential common shares that are not considered in the calculation of diluted income (loss) per share:

	Ye	Year ended December 31,				
	2020	2019	2018			
	•	(In thousands)				
Employee stock options	_	_				
Restricted stock units	170	250				
OP units	_	_	_			
Equity forward contracts	2,231	_	_			
	2,401	250	_			

### 24. Revenue from Contracts with Customers

### Disaggregated Revenue

The following tables represent a disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 by segment and geographic region:

	December 31, 2020					
	N	orth America	Asia-Pacific	South America	Total	
			(In thous	ands)		
Warehouse rent and storage	\$	581,421 \$	53,860 \$	5,120 \$	640,401	
Warehouse services		727,994	152,561	2,610	883,165	
Third-party managed		273,465	18,286	_	291,751	
Transportation		116,570	23,787	1,846	142,203	
Other		4,448	<del>_</del>	<del></del>	4,448	
Total revenues (1)		1,703,898	248,494	9,576	1,961,968	
Lease revenue (2)		25,759	_	_	25,759	
Total revenues from contracts with all customers	\$	1,729,657 \$	248,494 \$	9,576 \$	1,987,727	

		December 31, 2019					
	N	orth America	Asia-Pacific	South America	Total		
			(In thous	sands)			
Warehouse rent and storage	\$	502,674 \$	53,114 \$	4,749 \$	560,537		
Warehouse services		653,890	137,746	3,072	794,708		
Third-party managed		238,034	14,886	_	252,920		
Transportation		101,976	41,042	1,826	144,844		
Other		8,683	<del>_</del>	<del>_</del>	8,683		
Total revenues (1)		1,505,257	246,788	9,647	1,761,692		
Lease revenue (2)		22,013	_	_	22,013		
Total revenues from contracts with all customers	\$	1,527,270 \$	246,788 \$	9,647 \$	1,783,705		

		December 31, 2018					
	N	orth America	Asia-Pacific	South America	Total		
			(In thous	ands)			
Warehouse rent and storage	\$	433,131 \$	54,591 \$	5,694 \$	493,416		
Warehouse services		522,748	136,299	3,109	662,156		
Third-party managed		246,092	12,742	_	258,834		
Transportation		99,736	56,105	2,949	158,790		
Other		8,877	_	_	8,877		
Total revenues (1)		1,310,584	259,737	11,752	1,582,073		
Lease revenue (2)		21,562	_	_	21,562		
Total revenues from contracts with all customers	\$	1,332,146 \$	259,737 \$	11,752 \$	1,603,635		

<sup>(1)</sup> Revenues are within the scope of ASC 606: Revenue From Contracts With Customers. Elements of contracts or arrangements that are in the scope of other standards (e.g., leases) are separated and accounted for under those standards.

<sup>(2)</sup> Revenues are within the scope of Topic 842 and 840, Leases, for the applicable period.

#### Performance Obligations

Substantially all our revenue for warehouse storage and handling services, and management and incentive fees earned under third-party managed and other contracts is recognized over time as the customer benefits equally throughout the period until the contractual term expires. Typically, revenue is recognized over time using an output measure (e.g. passage of time). Revenue is recognized at a point in time upon delivery when the customer typically obtains control, for most accessorial services, transportation services, reimbursed costs and quarry product shipments.

For arrangements containing non-cancellable contract terms, any variable consideration related to storage renewals or incremental handling charges above stated minimums are 100% constrained and not included in aggregate amount of the transaction price allocated to the unsatisfied performance obligations disclosed below, given the degree in difficulty in estimation. Payment terms are generally 0 - 30 days upon billing, which is typically monthly, either in advance or subsequent to the performance of services. The same payment terms typically apply for arrangements containing variable consideration.

The Company has no material warranties or obligations for allowances, refunds or other similar obligations.

At December 31, 2020, the Company had \$614.5 million of remaining unsatisfied performance obligations from contracts with customers subject to a non-cancellable term and within contracts that have an original expected duration exceeding one year. These obligations also do not include variable consideration beyond the non-cancellable term, which due to the inability to quantify by estimate, is fully constrained. The Company expects to recognize approximately 32% of these remaining performance obligations as revenue in 2021, and the remaining 68% to be recognized over a weighted average period of 12.1 years through 2038.

#### Contract Balances

The timing of revenue recognition, billings and cash collections results in accounts receivable (contract assets), and unearned revenue (contract liabilities) on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. Generally, billing occurs monthly, subsequent to revenue recognition, resulting in contract assets. However, the Company may bill and receive advances or deposits from customers, particularly on storage and handling services, before revenue is recognized, resulting in contract liabilities. These assets and liabilities are reported on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets on a contract-by-contract basis at the end of each reporting period. Changes in the contract asset and liability balances during the year ended December 31, 2020, were not materially impacted by any other factors.

Opening and closing receivables balances related to contracts with customers accounted for under ASC 606 were \$321.5 million and \$213.2 million at December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. All other trade receivable balances relate to contracts accounted for under ASC 842 or 840, for the applicable period.

Opening and closing balances in unearned revenue related to contracts with customers were \$19.2 million and \$16.4 million at December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. Substantially all revenue that was included in the contract liability balances at the beginning of 2018 and 2017 has been recognized as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, and represents revenue from the satisfaction of monthly storage and handling services with average inventory turns of approximately 30 days.

#### 25. Balance Sheet of the Operating Partnership

The following table reflects the Consolidated Balance Sheets of the Operating Partnership as of December 31, 2020 and 2019:

### Americold Realty Operating Partnership, L.P. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets

(In thousands, except shares and per share amounts)

( · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Decem	ber 3	31,
		2020		2019
Assets				
Property, buildings and equipment:				
Land	\$	662,885	\$	526,226
Buildings and improvements		4,004,824		2,696,732
Machinery and equipment		1,177,572		817,617
Assets under construction		303,531		108,639
		6,148,812		4,149,214
Accumulated depreciation		(1,382,298)		(1,216,553)
Property, buildings and equipment – net		4,766,514		2,932,661
Operating lease right-of-use assets		291,797		77,723
Accumulated depreciation – operating leases		(24,483)		(18,110)
Operating leases – net		267,314		59,613
Financing leases:				
Buildings and improvements		60,513		11,227
Machinery and equipment		109,416		76,811
		169,929		88,038
Accumulated depreciation – financing leases		(40,937)		(29,697)
Financing leases – net		128,992		58,341
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash		621,051		240,613
Accounts receivable – net of allowance of \$12,286 and \$6,927 at December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively		324,221		214,842
Identifiable intangible assets – net		797,423		284,758
Goodwill		794,335		318,483
Investments in partially owned entities		44,907		_
Other assets		86,394		61,372
Total assets	\$	7,831,151	\$	4,170,683
Liabilities and equity	-			
Liabilities:				
Borrowings under revolving line of credit	\$	_	\$	_
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		552,547		350,963
Mortgage notes, senior unsecured notes and term loan – net of deferred financing costs of \$15,952 and \$12,996 in the aggregate, at December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively		2,648,266		1,695,447
Sale-leaseback financing obligations		185,060		115,759
Financing lease obligations		125,926		58,170
Operating lease obligations		269,147		62,342
Unearned revenue		19,209		16,423

Pension and postretirement benefits	9,145	12,706
Deferred tax liability – net	220,502	17,119
Multiemployer pension plan withdrawal liability	8,528	8,736
Total liabilities	4,038,330	2,337,665
Partner's capital:		
General partner – 249,185,577 and 189,881,910 units issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively	3,753,240	1,828,673
Limited partner – 2,517,026 and 1,917,999 units issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively	43,960	18,471
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(4,379)	(14,126)
Total partners' capital	3,792,821	1,833,018
Total liabilities and partners' capital	7,831,151	4,170,683

### 26. Subsequent Events (Unaudited)

On January 29, 2021, the Company expanded its 2020 Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility by \$200 million. In addition, the Company repaid \$200 million of principal on Tranche A-1 of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Term Loan. The maturity, margin, and other terms of the 2020 Senior Unsecured Credit Facility remain unchanged.

			In	itial Costs			amount at which as of December 31, 20				
<u>Property</u> US	Buildings	Encumbrances (3)	Land	Buildings and Improvements	Costs Capitalized Subsequent to Acquisition	Land	Buildings and Improvements (2)	<u>Total</u> (4)	Accumulated Depreciation and Depletion (1) (6) (5)	Date of Construction	Date of Acquisition
Albertville, AL	1	s —	\$ 1,251	\$ 12,385	\$ 1.264	\$ 1,381	\$ 13,519	\$ 14,900	\$ (6,224)	1993	2008
Allentown, PA	2	_	5.780	47,807	8,032	6,791	54,828	61.619	(26,018)	1976	2008
Amarillo, TX	1	_	871	4,473	1,545	932	5,957	6,889	(2,759)	1973	2008
Anaheim, CA	1	_	9,509	16,810	1,666	9,510	18,475	27,985	(9,180)	1965	2009
Appleton, WI	1	_	200	5,022	10,977	916	15,283	16,199	(5,008)	1989	2009
Atlanta - Lakewood, GA	1	_	4,297	3,369	(1,460)	639	5,567	6,206	(2,397)	1963	2008
Atlanta - Skygate, GA	1	_	1,851	12,731	1,549	2,417	13,714	16,131	(4,796)	2001	2008
Atlanta - Southgate, GA	1	_	1,623	17,652	3,154	2,468	19,961	22,429	(7,397)	1996	2008
Atlanta - Tradewater, GA	1	_	_	36,966	10,043	8,129	38,880	47,009	(7,989)	2004	2008
Atlanta - Westgate, GA	1	_	2,270	24,659	(1,373)	2,090	23,466	25,556	(11,023)	1990	2008
Atlanta, GA - Corporate	_	_	_	365	18,318	_	18,683	18,683	(5,702)	1999/2014	2008
Augusta, GA	1	_	2,678	1,943	1,160	2,843	2,938	5,781	(1,778)	1971	2008
Babcock, WI	1	_	852	8,916	174	895	9,047	9,942	(3,174)	1999	2008
Bartow, FL	1		_	2,451	732	10	3,173	3,183	(2,546)	1962	2008
Belvidere-Imron, IL	1	_	2,000	11,989	3,857	2,413	15,433	17,846	(6,798)	1991	2009
Belvidere-Landmark, IL (Cross Dock)	1	_	1	2,117	1,974	_	4,092	4,092	(4,014)	1991	2009
Benson, NC (1)	1	_	3,660	35,825	37	3,660	35,862	39,522	(2,146)	1997	2019
Birmingham, AL	1	941	1,002	957	2,175	1,269	2,865	4,134	(1,055)	1963	2008
Brea, CA	1	_	4,645	5,891	1,002	4,724	6,814	11,538	(2,995)	1975	2009
Brooklyn Park, MN	1		1,600	8,951	1,741	1,600	10,692	12,292	(4,788)	1986	2009
Burley, ID	2	_	_	16,136	3,841	146	19,831	19,977	(14,514)	1959	2008
Burlington, WA	3	13,724	694	6,108	2,531	711	8,622	9,333	(4,392)	1965	2008
Carson, CA	1	_	9,100	13,731	1,146	9,133	14,844	23,977	(5,346)	2002	2009
Cartersville, GA	1	_	1,500	8,505	908	1,571	9,342	10,913	(3,967)	1996	2009
Carthage Warehouse Dist, MO	1	_	61,445	33,880	7,871	62,613	40,583	103,196	(22,329)	1972	2008
Chambersburg, PA (4)	1	_	1,368	15,868	(4)	1,368	15,864	17,232	(777)	1994	2019

			In	nitial Costs			amount at which as of December 31, 202				
<u>Property</u>	Buildings	Encumbrances (3)	Land	Buildings and Improvements	Costs Capitalized Subsequent to Acquisition	<u>Land</u>	Buildings and Improvements (2)	<u>Total</u> (4)	Accumulated Depreciation and Depletion (1) (6) (5)	Date of Construction	Date of Acquisition
Cherokee, IA (1)	1	_	580	8,343	26	594	8,355	8,949	(559)	1965	2019
Chesapeake, VA (1)	1	_	2,740	13,452	19,734	2,805	33,121	35,926	(1,465)	1991	2019
Chillicothe, MO (1)	1	_	670	44,905	140	670	45,045	45,715	(2,444)	1999	2019
City of Industry, CA	2	_	_	1,455	1,923	230	3,148	3,378	(2,729)	1962	2009
Clearfield, UT	1	_	2,881	14,945	5,645	2,307	21,164	23,471	(9,248)	1973	2008
Clearfield 2, UT	1	_	806	21,569	1,359	1,131	22,603	23,734	(2,734)	2017	2017
Columbia, SC	1	_	768	1,429	1,146	860	2,483	3,343	(1,241)	1971	2008
Columbus, OH (1)	1	_	2,440	38,939	5,953	2,838	44,494	47,332	(2,056)	1996	2019
Connell, WA	1	_	497	8,728	1,231	558	9,898	10,456	(4,518)	1969	2008
Dallas, TX	1	_	1,468	14,385	13,668	2,929	26,592	29,521	(8,325)	1994	2009
Delhi, LA	1	15,495	539	12,228	587	587	12,767	13,354	(7,319)	2010	2010
Denver-50th Street, CO	1	_	_	1,724	592	_	2,316	2,316	(2,162)	1974	2008
Dominguez Hills, CA	1	_	11,149	10,894	1,288	11,162	12,169	23,331	(5,350)	1989	2009
Douglas, GA	1		400	2,080	2,139	401	4,218	4,619	(1,524)	1969	2009
Eagan, MN (1)	1	_	6,050	49,441	98	6,050	49,539	55,589	(2,712)	1964	2019
East Dubuque, IL	1		722	13,764	656	753	14,389	15,142	(5,140)	1993	2008
East Point, GA	1	_	1,884	3,621	3,850	2,020	7,335	9,355	(2,853)	1959	2016
Fairfield, OH (1)	1		1,880	20,849	118	1,880	20,967	22,847	(1,286)	1993	2019
Fairmont, MN (1)	1	_	1,650	13,738	41	1,650	13,779	15,429	(783)	1968	2019
Fort Dodge, IA	1		1,022	7,162	1,300	1,226	8,258	9,484	(3,685)	1979	2008
Fort Smith, AR	2	_	308	2,231	2,302	342	4,499	4,841	(1,547)	1958	2008
Fort Smith - Highway 45, AR (1)	1	_	2,245	51,998	22	2,245	52,020	54,265	(2,968)	1987	2019
Fort Worth-Blue Mound, TX	1	_	1,700	5,055	1,829	1,700	6,884	8,584	(2,139)	1995	2009
Fort Worth- Samuels, TX	2	_	1,985	13,447	4,528	2,124	17,836	19,960	(7,344)	1977	2009
Fremont, NE	1	26,341	629	3,109	6,083	691	9,130	9,821	(4,804)	1968	2008
Ft. Worth, TX (Meacham)	1	_	5,610	24,686	4,557	5,873	28,980	34,853	(11,471)	2005	2008
Ft. Worth, TX (Railhead)	1	_	1,857	8,536	773	1,978	9,188	11,166	(4,071)	1998	2008
Gadsden, AL	1	22,827	100	9,820	(607)	388	8,925	9,313	(3,325)	1991	2013
Gaffney, SC	1	_	1,000	3,263	164	1,000	3,427	4,427	(1,455)	1995	2008

				**16			amount at which				
Property	Buildings	Encumbrances (3)		Buildings and	Costs Capitalized Subsequent to Acquisition	Land	Buildings and Improvements (2)		Accumulated Depreciation and Depletion (1) (6) (5)	<u>Date of</u> Construction	Date of Acquisition
Gainesville, GA	1		400	5,704	1,271	434	6,941	7,375	(2,780)	1989	2009
Gainesville - Candler, GA (2)	1	_	716	3,258	952	770	4,156	4,926	(354)	1995	2019
Garden City, KS	1	_	446	4,721	1,893	446	6,614	7,060	(2,542)	1980	2008
Gateway, GA	2	_	3,271	19,693	(7,196)	3,197	12,571	15,768	(8,666)	1972	2008
Geneva Lakes, WI	1	_	1,579	36,020	3,387	2,513	38,473	40,986	(13,555)	1991	2009
Gloucester - Rogers, MA	1	_	1,683	3,675	4,786	1,827	8,317	10,144	(2,402)	1967	2008
Gloucester - Rowe, MA	1	_	1,146	2,833	10,823	1,272	13,530	14,802	(3,877)	1955	2008
Gouldsboro, PA	1	_	4,224	29,473	3,065	5,036	31,726	36,762	(10,399)	2006	2009
Grand Island, NE	1	_	430	6,542	(2,269)	479	4,224	4,703	(2,130)	1995	2008
Green Bay, WI	2	_	_	2,028	3,225	125	5,128	5,253	(2,952)	1935	2009
Greenville, SC	1	_	200	1,108	403	203	1,508	1,711	(1,246)	1962	2009
Hatfield, PA	2	_	5,002	28,286	9,788	5,800	37,276	43,076	(14,878)	1983	2009
Henderson, NV	2		9,043	14,415	1,247	9,056	15,649	24,705	(5,707)	1988	2009
Hermiston, OR	1	32,069	1,322	7,107	435	1,388	7,476	8,864	(3,252)	1975	2008
Houston, TX	1		1,454	10,084	1,323	1,531	11,330	12,861	(4,054)	1990	2009
Indianapolis, IN	4	_	1,897	18,991	21,352	4,088	38,152	42,240	(14,406)	1975	2008
Jefferson, WI	2		1,553	19,805	1,944	1,887	21,415	23,302	(9,319)	1975	2009
Johnson, AR (1)	1	_	6,159	24,802	_	6,159	24,802	30,961	(2,017)	1955	2019
Lakeville, MN (1)	1		4,000	47,790	122	4,013	47,899	51,912	(2,715)	1970	2019
Lancaster, PA	1	_	2,203	15,670	1,031	2,371	16,533	18,904	(5,801)	1993	2009
LaPorte, TX	1		2,945	19,263	3,378	3,440	22,146	25,586	(8,350)	1990	2009
Le Mars, IA (1)	1	_	1,000	12,596	195	1,100	12,691	13,791	(872)	1991	2019
Leesport, PA	1	_	1,206	14,112	12,195	1,796	25,717	27,513	(8,217)	1993	2008
Lowell, AR (1)	1	_	2,610	31,984	188	2,748	32,034	34,782	(2,090)	1992	2019
Lula, GA (2)	1		3,864	35,382	386	3,925	35,707	39,632	(2,392)	1996	2019
Lynden, WA	5		1,420	8,590	1,639	1,430	10,219	11,649	(4,179)	1946	2009
Marshall, MO	1	10,293	741	10,304	563	840	10,768	11,608	(4,506)	1985	2008
Massillon 17th, OH	1	_	175	15,322	700	423	15,774	16,197	(6,165)	2000	2008
Massillon Erie, OH	1	_	_	1,988	521	_	2,509	2,509	(2,477)	1984	2008

			11	nitial Costs			amount at which as of December 31, 202				
<u>Property</u> <u>I</u>	Buildings	Encumbrances (3)	<u>Land</u>	Buildings and Improvements	Costs Capitalized Subsequent to Acquisition	Land	Buildings and Improvements (2)	<u>Total</u> (4)	Accumulated Depreciation and Depletion (1) (6) (5)	Date of Construction	Date of Acquisition
Memphis Chelsea, TN	_	_	80	2	(81)	_	1	1	(1)	1972	2008
Middleboro, MA	1	_	404	15,031	161	441	15,155	15,596	(900)	2018	2018
Milwaukie, OR	2	_	2,473	8,112	1,797	2,523	9,859	12,382	(6,112)	1958	2008
Mobile, AL	1	_	10	3,203	1,129	24	4,318	4,342	(1,638)	1976	2009
Modesto, CA	6	_	2,428	19,594	5,822	3,025	24,819	27,844	(11,326)	1945	2009
Monmouth, IL (1)	1	_	2,660	48,348	23	2,683	48,348	51,031	(2,276)	2014	2019
Montgomery, AL	1	6,530	850	7,746	(395)	1,157	7,044	8,201	(2,858)	1989	2013
Moses Lake, WA	1	29,634	575	11,046	2,771	1,140	13,252	14,392	(5,735)	1967	2008
Murfreesboro, TN	1	_	1,094	10,936	3,753	1,332	14,451	15,783	(7,116)	1982	2008
Nampa, ID	4	_	1,588	11,864	2,253	1,719	13,986	15,705	(8,053)	1946	2008
Napoleon, OH (1)	1	_	2,340	57,677	111	2,340	57,788	60,128	(3,214)	1974	2019
New Ulm, MN	7	_	725	10,405	1,457	822	11,765	12,587	(4,430)	1984	2009
North Little Rock, AR (1)	1	_	1,680	12,841	14,898	2,226	27,193	29,419	(1,371)	1996	2019
Oklahoma City,	1		742	2.411	1.050	742	4.270	5.012	(1.945)	1968	2008
OK Ontario, CA	1 3		14.673	2,411 3.632	1,859 27,388	14.747	4,270 30,946	5,012 45,693	(1,845)	1987(1)/1984(2)/1983(3)	2008
Ontario, CA Ontario, OR	4	_	14,073	13,791	9,476	1,264	22,003	23,267	(13,372)	1967(1)/1964(2)/1963(3)	2008
Pasco, WA	1		557	15,791	9,470	598	16,209	16,807	(5,803)	1984	2008
Pendergrass, GA	1	_	500	12,810	2,820	580	15,550	16,130	(6,826)	1993	2009
Perryville, MD	1	_	1,626	19,083	5,104	5,820	19,993	25,813	(784)	2007	2019
Phoenix2, AZ	1	_	3,182	11,312	34	3,182	11,346	14,528	(2,626)	2014	2014
Piedmont, SC	1	_	500	9,883	1,524	506	11,401	11,907	(5,149)	1981	2009
Plover, WI	1	33,480	1,390	18,298	5,857	2,016	23,529	25,545	(10,723)	1981	2008
Portland, ME	1		305	2,402	1,213	316	3,604	3,920	(1,181)	1952	2008
Rochelle, IL (Americold Drive)	1	_	1,860	18,178	48,173	4,326	63,885	68,211	(11,323)	1995	2008
Rochelle, IL (Caron)	1	_	2,071	36,658	963	2,257	ĺ	39,692	(15,531)	2004	2008
Russellville, AR - Elmira	1	_	1,261	9,910	3,275	1,376	13,070	14,446	(6,795)	1986	2008
Russellville, AR - Route 324 (1)	1	_	2,467	29,179	(53)	2,499	29,094	31,593	(1,828)	1993	2019
Russellville, AR - Valley	1	_	708	15,832	4,049	759	19,830	20,589	(6,504)	1995	2008
Salem, OR	4	38,433	3,055	21,096	3,721	3,261	24,611	27,872	(12,201)	1963	2008

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			In	itial Costs		1	of December 31, 202	0			
Property	Buildings	Encumbrances (3)	<u>Land</u>	Buildings and Improvements	Costs Capitalized Subsequent to Acquisition	<u>Land</u>	Buildings and Improvements (2)	<u>Total</u> (4)	Accumulated Depreciation and Depletion (1) (6) (5)	Date of Construction	<u>Date of</u> <u>Acquisition</u>
Salinas, CA	5	_	7,244	7,181	10,637	8,130	16,932	25,062	(7,071)	1958	2009
Salt Lake City, UT	1	_	_	22,481	8,799	374	30,906	31,280	(16,037)	1998	2010
San Antonio - HEB, TX	1	_	2,014	22,902	_	2,014	22,902	24,916	(4,578)	1982	2017
San Antonio, TX	3	_	1,894	11,101	3,254	2,138	14,111	16,249	(8,385)	1913	2009
Sanford, NC (1)	1	_	3,110	34,104	81	3,110	34,185	37,295	(1,988)	1996	2019
Savannah, GA (3)	1	_	20,715	10,456	1,252	21,833	10,590	32,423	(938)	2015	2019
Savannah 2, GA	1	_	3,002	37,571		3,002	37,571	40,573	(969)	2020	2020
Sebree, KY	1	_	638	7,895	1,681	638	9,576	10,214	(3,004)	1998	2008
Sikeston, MO	1	_	258	11,936	3,126	2,350	12,970	15,320	(4,952)	1998	2009
Sioux City - 2640, IA <sup>(1)</sup>	1	_	5,950	28,391	623	5,909	29,055	34,964	(2,281)	1990	2019
Sioux City - 2900, IA <sup>(1)</sup>	1	_	3,070	56,336	193	3,101	56,498	59,599	(3,475)	1995	2019
Sioux Falls, SD	1	_	856	4,780	4,141	1,044	8,733	9,777	(4,578)	1972	2008
Springdale, AR	1	7,664	844	10,754	1,742	872	12,468	13,340	(5,416)	1982	2008
St. Louis, MO	2	_	2,082	7,566	2,071	2,198	9,521	11,719	(3,404)	1956	2009
St. Paul, MN	2	_	1,800	12,129	699	1,800	12,828	14,628	(5,577)	1970	2009
Strasburg, VA	1	_	1,551	15,038	1,779	1,600	16,768	18,368	(6,037)	1999	2008
Sumter, SC (1)	1	_	530	8,738	32	548	8,752	9,300	(767)	1979	2019
Syracuse, NY	2	_	2,177	20,056	5,833	2,420	25,646	28,066	(10,349)	1960	2008
Tacoma, WA	1	_	_	21,216	2,518	27	23,707	23,734	(8,266)	2010	2010
Tampa Plant City, FL	2	_	1,333	11,836	1,507	1,380	13,296	14,676	(4,782)	1987	2009
Tarboro, NC	1	17,127	1,078	9,586	1,175	1,225	10,614	11,839	(4,061)	1988	2008
Taunton, MA	1	_	1,477	14,159	1,394	1,703	15,327	17,030	(5,381)	1999	2009
Texarkana, AR	1	3,542	842	11,169	1,655	921	12,745	13,666	(4,508)	1992	2008
Tomah, WI	1	18,593	886	10,715	438	923	11,116	12,039	(4,853)	1989	2008
Turlock, CA (#1)	2	_	944	4,056	586	967	4,619	5,586	(2,119)	1995	2008
Turlock, CA (#2)	1	_	3,091	7,004	1,530	3,116	8,509	11,625	(3,744)	1985	2008
Vernon 2, CA	1	_	8,100	13,490	3,402	8,112	16,880	24,992	(8,188)	1965	2009
Victorville, CA	1	_	2,810	22,811	1,090	2,820	23,891	26,711	(8,985)	2004	2008
Walla Walla, WA	2	_	215	4,693	610	159	5,372	5,518	(3,269)	1960	2008

						Gross a	mount at which	carried as			
			Ir	nitial Costs			of December 31, 202	20			
<u>Property</u>	Buildings	Encumbrances (3)		Buildings and Improvements	Costs Capitalized Subsequent to Acquisition	Land	Buildings and Improvements (2)	<u>Total</u> (4)	Accumulated Depreciation and Depletion (1) (6) (5)	<u>Date of</u> Construction	<u>Date of</u> Acquisition
Wallula, WA	1	_	690	2,645	806	753	3,388	4,141	(1,326)	1982	2008
Watsonville, CA	1	_	_	8,138	533	21	8,650	8,671	(8,045)	1984	2008
West Memphis, AR	1	_	1,460	12,300	3,340	2,784	14,316	17,100	(6,383)	1985	2008
Wichita, KS	1	_	1,297	4,717	2,063	1,432	6,645	8,077	(2,977)	1972	2008
Woodburn, OR	1	_	1,552	9,860	3,864	1,627	13,649	15,276	(4,967)	1952	2008
York, PA	1	_	3,838	36,621	2,407	4,099	38,767	42,866	(15,525)	1994	2008
York-Willow Springs, PA	1	_	1,300	7,351	745	1,416	7,980	9,396	(3,482)	1987	2009
Zumbrota, MN	3	_	800	10,360	1,727	934	11,953	12,887	(4,347)	1996	2009
Newport, MN	1	_	3,383	19,877	292	3,638	19,914	23,552	(1,015)	1964	2020
Tampa Maple, FL	1	_	3,233	15,940	_	3,233	15,940	19,173	(195)	2017	2020
Grand Prairie, TX	1	_	_	22	_	_	22	22	(3)	1981	2020
Mansfield, TX	1	_	5,670	33,222	_	5,670	33,222	38,892	(399)	2018	2020
Hall's (9)	8	_	29,351	239,697	3	29,352	239,699	269,051	(1,325)	Various	2020
Canada											
Cold Logic/Taber	_	_	_	12	(1)	_	11	11	(11)	1999	2009
Brampton	1	_	27,522	53,367	3,278	28,544	55,623	84,167	(2,135)	2004	2020
Calgary	1	_	5,240	36,392	1,545	5,434	37,743	43,177	(1,231)	2009	2020
Halifax Dartmouth	1	_	2,052	14,904	629	2,128	15,457	17,585	(484)	2013	2020
Halifax Thornhill	1	_	_	1,044	39	_	1,083	1,083	(498)	1971	2020
Australia											
Arndell Park	2	_	13,489	29,428	5,600	12,896	35,621	48,517	(11,962)	1989/1994	2009
BRIS CORPORATE- Acacia Ridge	1				324		324	324	(306)	Managed	Managed
Laverton	2	_	13.689	28.252	10.515	13.087	39.369	52,456	(13,385)	1997/1998	2009
Murarrie	3	<del>_</del>	10,891	18,975	351	10,413	19,804	30,217	(7,224)	1977/1998	2009
Prospect/ASC		_	10,891	ĺ			Í		, i		
Corporate	2	_		1,187	21,564	8,181	14,570	22,751	(5,098)	1985	2009
Spearwood	1	_	7,194	10,990	622	6,878	11,928	18,806	(5,011)	1978	2009
New Zealand			604-		<b>5</b> 26 -	10.01-		10.06	(0.000)	1000	2000
Dalgety	1	_	6,047	5,531	7,387	12,815	6,150	18,965	(2,098)	1988	2009
Diversey	1	_	2,357	5,966	1,595	2,617	7,301	9,918	(2,493)	1988	2009
Halwyn Dr	1	_	5,227	3,399	1,568	5,803	4,391	10,194	(1,851)	1992	2009

			In	itial Costs			mount at which of December 31, 20				
<u>Property</u>	Buildings	Encumbrances (3)	<u>Land</u>	Buildings and Improvements	Costs Capitalized Subsequent to Acquisition	<u>Land</u>	Buildings and Improvements (2)	<u>Total</u> (4)	Accumulated Depreciation and Depletion (1) (6) (5)	<u>Date of</u> <u>Construction</u>	<u>Date of</u> Acquisition
Mako Mako	1	_	1,332	3,810	660	1,479	4,323	5,802	(1,433)	2000	2009
Manutapu/Barber Akld	1	_	_	343	358	_	701	701	(646)	2004	2009
Paisley	2	_	_	185	3,010	_	3,195	3,195	(543)	1984	2009
Smarts Rd	1	_	_	247	1,060	_	1,307	1,307	(856)	1984	2009
Argentina											
Mercado Central - Buenos Aires, ARG	1	_	_	4,984	(2,008)	_	2,976	2,976	(2,168)	1996/1999	2009
Pilar - Buenos Aires, ARG	1	_	706	2,586	(2,252)	732	308	1,040	(86)	2000	2009
Agro (U.S., Europe, Asia- Pacific, South America) (8)											
Agro	23	_	95,286	825,015	_	95,286	825,015	920,301	_	Various	2020
Total		276,693	606,387	3,597,455	524,380	662,885	4,065,337	4,728,222	(857,812)		

Property											-	
Property							Gross		carried			
Property				I	nitial Costs				20			
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Anlantia CA	US											
Allanta - Lakewood, GA Allanta - Skygate, GA			_	_	_	_	_					
Lakewood, GA			_	_	_	_	_	1,222	1,222			
GA			_	_	_	_	_	257	257			
Southage, GA			_	_	_	_	_	840	840			
Tradewater, GA			_	_	_	_	_	391	391			
GA			_	_	_	_	_	2,730	2,730			
Cartersville, GA Carthage Warehouse Dist, MO Carbage A			_	_	_	_	_	1,952	1,952			
Carthage Warehouse Dist, MO	Augusta, GA		_	_	_	_	_	12	12			
Warehouse Dist, MO         —         —         —         755         75           Chesapeake, VA         —         —         —         20         20           Columbia, SC         —         —         —         70         70           Columbus, OH         —         —         —         —         949         949           Dallas, TX         —         —         —         40         40           Denver-50th Street,         —         —         —         —         1         1           Domingue Hills,         —         —         —         —         40         40           Eagan, MN         —         —         —         —         44         40           Eagan, MN         —         —         —         —         45         45           Fremont, NE         —         —         —         45         45           Feworth, TX         —         —         —         83         83           Ft. Worth, TX         Ralieal         —         —         —         —         686         686           Gainesville         —         —         —         —         —	Cartersville, GA		_	_	_	_	_	38	38			
Chesapeake, VA	Warehouse Dist,		_	_	_	_	_	75	75			
Columbia, SC			_	_	_	_	_					
Dallas, TX			_	_	_	_	_					
Deniver-50th Street, CO	Columbus, OH		_	_	_	_	_	949	949			
CO	Dallas, TX		_	_	_	_	_	40	40			
CA		,	_	_	_	_	_	1	1			
Fairfield, OH			_	_	_	_	_	40	40			
Fremont, NE	Eagan, MN		_	_	_	_	_	24	24			
Ft. Worth, TX (Meacham)	Fairfield, OH		_	_	_	_	_		45			
(Meacham)       —       —       —       —       83       83         Ft. Worth, TX (Railhead)       —       —       —       —       686       686         Gainesville       —       —       —       —       54       54         Gainesville, GA       —       —       —       —       50       50         Gateway, GA       —       —       —       —       70,606       70,606         Gloucester - Rogers, MA       —       —       —       —       42       42         Gloucester - Rowe, MA       —       —       —       —       47       47         Gouldsboro, PA       —       —       —       —       —       42       42         Green Bay, WI       —       —       —       —       62       62         Hatfield, PA       —       —       —       —       362       362			_	_		_	_	47	47			
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Candler, GA       —       —       —       —       54       54         Gainesville, GA       —       —       —       50       50         Gateway, GA       —       —       —       70,606       70,606         Gloucester - Rogers, MA       —       —       —       42       42         Gloucester - Rowe, MA       —       —       —       47       47         Gouldsboro, PA       —       —       —       —       15       15         Green Bay, WI       —       —       —       62       62         Hatfield, PA       —       —       —       362       362			_	_	_	_	_	686	686			
Gateway, GA			_	_	_	_	_	54	54			
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Green Bay, WI     —     —     —     —     62     62       Hatfield, PA     —     —     —     —     362     362			_	_	_	_	_	47	47			
Hatfield, PA — — — — 362 362	Gouldsboro, PA		_	_	_	_	_	15	15			
,	Green Bay, WI		_	_	_	_	_					
Henderson, NV —			_	_	_	_	_					
	Henderson, NV		_	_		_	_	308	308			

			Iı	nitial Costs			amount at which as of December 31, 202				
_Property	Buildings	Encumbrances (3)	Land	Buildings and Improvements	Costs Capitalized Subsequent to Acquisition	Land	Buildings and Improvements (2)	<u>Total</u> (4)	Accumulated Depreciation and Depletion (1) (6) (5)	Date of Construction	Date of Acquisition
Indianapolis, IN			_	_	_		565	565			
Johnson, AR		_	_	_	_		178	178			
Lancaster, PA		_	_	_	_	_	595	595			
LaPorte, TX		_	_	_	_		665	665			
Leesport, PA		_	_	_	_	_	164	164			
Marshall, MO		_	_	_	_	_	11	11			
Milwaukie, OR		_	_	_	_	_	13	13			
Modesto, CA		_	_	_	_	_	994	994			
Monmouth, IL		_	_	_	_	_	461	461			
Mountville, PA		_	_	_	_	_	72,009	72,009			
Murfreesboro, TN		_	_	_	_	_	121	121			
Napoleon, OH		_	_	_	_	_	4	4			
New Ulm, MN		_	_	_	_	_	17	17			
Ontario, CA		_	_	_	_	_	2,542	2,542			
Perryville, MD		_	_	_	_	_	179	179			
Phoenix2, AZ		_	_	_	_	_	67	67			
Plainville, CT		_	_	_	_	_	72,939	72,939			
Plover, WI		_	_	_	_	_	200	200			
Portland, ME		_	_	_	_	_	31	31			
Rochelle, IL (Americold Drive)		_	_	_	_	_	5,493	5,493			
Russellville, AR - Elmira		_	_	_	_	_	11,756	11,756			
Russellville, AR - Valley		_	_	_	_	_	432	432			
Salinas, CA		_	_	_	_	_	2,225	2,225			
Salt Lake City, UT		_		_			605	605			
Sanford, NC		_	_	_	_	_	24	24			
Savannah, GA		_	_	_	_	_	233	233			
Savannah 2, GA		_	_	_	_	_	377	377			
Sikeston, MO		_	_	_	_	_	3	3			
Springdale, AR		_	_	_	_	_	39	39			
Strasburg, VA		_	_	_	_	_	279	279			
Syracuse, NY		_	_	_	_	_	30	30			
Tarboro, NC		_	_	_	_	_	520	520			
Turlock, CA (#2)		_	_	_	_	_	1,445	1,445			

			Init	tial Costs			ount at which c December 31, 20				
<u>Property</u>	Buildings	Encumbrances (3)	<u>Land</u>	Buildings and Improvements	Costs Capitalized Subsequent to Acquisition	<b>Land</b>	Buildings and Improvements (2)	<u>Total</u> (4)	Accumulated Depreciation and Depletion (1) (6) (5)	<u>Date of</u> Construction	Date of Acquisition
Wallula, WA		_	_	_	_	_	17	17			
Watsonville, CA		_	_	_	_	_	1,422	1,422			
York, PA		_	_	_	_	_	112	112			
Canada											
Brampton		_	_	_	_	_	353	353			
Calgary		_	_	_	_	_	1,573	1,573			
Australia											
Arndell Park		_	_	_	_	_	898	898			
Laverton		_	_	_	_	_	1,884	1,884			
Murarrie		_	_	_	_	_	618	618			
Prospect		_	_	_	_	_	452	452			
Spearwood		_	_	_	_	_	333	333			
New Zealand											
Dalgety		_	_	_	_	_	22,678	22,678			
Diversey		_	_	_	_	_	782	782			
Halwyn Dr		_	_	_	_	_	34	34			
Mako Mako		_	_	_	_	_	54	54			
Manutapu		_	_	_	_	_	4	4			
Paisley		_	_	_	_	_	223	223			
Smarts Rd		_	_	_	_	_	112	112			
Total in assets under construction		_	_	_	_	_	287,906	287,906	_		
Total assets		\$ 276,693	\$606,387	\$ 3,597,455	\$ 524,380	\$662,885	\$ 4,353,243	\$5,016,126	\$ (857,812)		

### Americold Realty Trust and Subsidiaries Schedule III – Real Estate and Accumulated Depreciation December 31, 2020

(In thousands of U.S. dollars, as applicable and unless noted)

### Schedule III - Footnotes

(1) Reconciliation of total accumulated depreciation to consolidated balance sheet caption as of December 31, 2020:								
Total per Schedule III	\$	(857,812)						
Accumulated depreciation on investments in non-real estate assets		(565,423)						
Total accumulated depreciation per consolidated balance sheet (property, buildings and equipment and financing leases)	\$	(1,423,235)						
(2) Reconciliation of total Buildings and improvements to consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2020:								
Building and improvements per consolidated balance sheet	\$	4,004,824						
Building and improvements financing leases per consolidated balance sheet		60,513						
Assets under construction per consolidated balance sheet		303,531						
Less: personal property assets under construction		(15,625)						
Total per Schedule III	\$	4,353,243						
(3) Reconciliation of total mortgage notes, senior unsecured notes and term loan to consolidated balance sheet caption as 2020:	of Dec	cember 31,						
Total per Schedule III	\$	276,693						
Unsecured		2,387,525						
Deferred financing costs, net of amortization		(15,952)						
Total mortgage notes, senior unsecured notes and term loan per consolidated balance sheet*	\$	2,648,266						
*Total mortgage notes, senior unsecured notes, and term loan does not include \$4.7M of secured notes related to the Monmouth, IL facility.								

- Refer to footnote 17 for additional details.
- (4) The aggregate cost for Federal tax purposes at December 31, 2020 of our real estate assets was approximately \$3.4 billion.
- (5) The life on which depreciation is computed ranges from 5 to 43 years.
- (6) The following table summarizes the Company's real estate activity and accumulated depreciation for the years ended December 31:

	2020		2019		2018
Real Estate Facilities, at Cost:					
Beginning Balance	\$	3,729,589	\$	2,575,367	\$ 2,506,656
Capital expenditures		287,220		177,268	50,680
Acquisitions		1,662,650		975,045	_
Newly developed warehouse facilities		58,807		21,316	62,353
Disposition		(62,225)		(7,409)	(30,199)
Impairment		(2,153)		(12,555)	(747)
Conversion of leased assets to owned		7,956		_	8,405
Impact of foreign exchange rate changes		24,916		557	(21,781)
Ending Balance		5,706,760		3,729,589	2,575,367
		_			
Accumulated Depreciation:					
Beginning Balance		(936,422)		(827,892)	(770,006)
Depreciation expense		(146,237)		(114,512)	(87,355)
Dispositions		8,731		6,679	24,672
Impact of foreign exchange rate changes		(6,994)		(697)	4,797
Ending Balance		(1,080,922)		(936,422)	 (827,892)
<b>Total Real Estate Facilities, Net at December 31</b>	\$	4,625,838	\$	2,793,167	\$ 1,747,475

The total real estate facilities amounts in the table above include \$165.2 million, \$76.8 million, and \$80.3 million of assets under sale-leaseback agreements accounted for as a financing as of December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The Company does not hold title in these assets under sale-leaseback agreements. As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Company has no facilities classified as held for sale.

In 2020, the Company recognized real estate impairment charges of \$2.2 million, which included, \$1.2 million for costs incurred on a potential development project which the Company determined it would not move forward with, the write-off primarily related to "Assets Under Construction" on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets; \$0.5 million related to refrigeration assets that were subsequently deemed unusable following the sale and exit of the Boston warehouse, which primarily impacted "Machinery & Equipment" on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Boston facility was sold for a gain of \$20.1 million, which was recorded to "gain on sale of real estate" in the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations, and primarily related to buildings with lesser amounts related to machinery, handling, & equipment and land; and \$0.5 million related to the sale of vacant land in Waco, TX. During the first quarter of 2019, the company wrote down 75% of a facility to be partially demolished and reconstructed resulting in an impairment of \$9.6 million. During the second quarter of 2019, the Company sold an idle facility, which was written down earlier in 2019 resulting in an impairment charge of \$2.9 million. During the second quarter of 2018, the Company sold a facility resulting in an \$8.4 million gain on sale of real estate. In preparation of the warehouse disposal, the Company transferred most of its customers inventory to other owned warehouses within the same region.

In January 2020, the Company acquired four facilities in connection with the Nova Cold Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$171.9 million. Additionally in January 2020, the Company acquired one facility in connection with the Newport Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$30.2 million. In August 2020, the Company acquired 2 facilities in connection with the AM-C Warehouse Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$53.2 million. Additionally in August 2020, the Company acquired a single facility in connection with the Caspers Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$25.2 million. During the third quarter of 2020, the Company purchased two international facilities that were previously operated under a lease agreement for \$8.1 million. During November 2020, the Company acquired eight facilities in connection with the Hall's Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$332.7 million. On December 30, 2020, the Company completed the Agro Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$1.08 billion. In February 2019, the Company acquired one facility and adjacent land in connection with the PortFresh Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$35.0 million. In May 2019, the Company acquired 21 facilities in connection with the Cloverleaf Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$891.3 million. Additionally, in May 2019, the Company acquired two facilities in connection with the Lanier Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of 60.0 million. In November 2019, the Company acquired two facilities in connection with the MHW Acquisition, with total property, buildings and equipment of \$50.1 million. During the fourth quarter of 2018, the Company disposed of an idle facility, previously classified as held for sale, for a \$0.9 million loss on sale of real estate, and purchased a portion of a facility that was previously operated under a lease agreement with a purchase price of \$13.8 million.

(7) Reconciliation of the Company's real estate activity and accumulated depreciation for the years ended December 31, 2 III:	2020 to	o Schedule
Total real estate facilities gross amount per Schedule III	\$	5,016,126
Plus: Refrigeration equipment		690,625
Less: Quarry CIP		9
Real estate facilities, at cost - ending balance	\$	5,706,760
Accumulated depreciation per Schedule III	\$	(857,812)
Plus: Refrigeration equipment		(223,110)
Accumulated depreciation - ending balance	\$	(1,080,922)

- (8) The Agro acquisition closed on December 30, 2020. As a result, the acquisition accounting was preliminary as of December 31, 2020, and was not allocated to individual warehouses. The Company will make allocations to individual sites during the measurement period in 2021 and update accordingly in our Annual Form on 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2021. Refer to Note 3 of the Consolidated Financial Statements for further details.
- (9) The Hall's acquisition closed on November 2, 2020. As a result, the acquisition accounting was preliminary as of December 31, 2020, and was not allocated to individual warehouses. The Company will make allocations to individual sites during the measurement period in 2021 and update accordingly in our Annual Form on 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2021. Refer to Note 3 of the Consolidated Financial Statements for further details.

### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

### AMERICOLD REALTY TRUST

By: /s/ Fred W. Boehler

Fred W. Boehler Chief Executive Officer

Date: March 1, 2021

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Fred W. Boehler	Chief Executive Officer, President and Trustee	March 1, 2021
Fred W. Boehler		
/s/ Marc J. Smernoff	Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President	March 1, 2021
Marc J. Smernoff		
/s/ Thomas C. Novosel	Chief Accounting Officer and Senior Vice President	March 1, 2021
Thomas C. Novosel		
/s/ Mark R. Patterson	Chairman of the Board of Trustees	March 1, 2021
Mark R. Patterson		
/s/ James R. Heistand	Trustee	March 1, 2021
James R. Heistand		
/s/ George J. Alburger, Jr.	Trustee	March 1, 2021
George J. Alburger, Jr.		
/s/ Kelly H. Barrett	Trustee	March 1, 2021
Kelly H. Barrett		
/s/ Antonio F. Fernandez	Trustee	March 1, 2021
Antonio F. Fernandez		
/s/ Michelle M. MacKay	Trustee	March 1, 2021
Michelle M. MacKay		
/s/ David J. Neithercut	Trustee	March 1, 2021
David J. Neithercut		
/s/ Andrew P. Power	Trustee	March 1, 2021
Andrew P. Power		

#### Exhibit 23.1

#### **Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the following Registration Statements:

- (1) Registration Statement (Form S-3 No. 333-22981) of Americold Realty Trust,
- (2) Registration Statement (Form S-3 No. 333-237704) of Americold Realty Trust,
- (3) Registration Statement (Form S-3 No. 333-237704-01) of Americold Realty Operating Partnership, L.P.,
- (4) Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-222637) pertaining to the Americold Realty Trust 2017 Equity Incentive Plan, Americold Realty Trust 2010 Equity Incentive Plan, and Americold Realty Trust 2008 Equity Incentive Plan of Americold Realty Trust, and
- (5) Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-251200) pertaining to the Americold Realty Trust 2020 Employee Stock Purchase Plan;

of our reports dated March 1, 2021, with respect to the consolidated financial statements and schedule of Americold Realty Trust and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Americold Realty Trust included in this Annual Report (Form 10-K) of Americold Realty Trust for the year ended December 31, 2020.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Atlanta, Georgia March 1, 2021

# CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14(a) OF THE EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Fred Boehler, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Americold Realty Trust;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
- (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
- (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
- (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
- (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
- (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
- (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 1, 2021

/s/ Fred W. Boehler

Fred W. Boehler

Chief Executive Officer, President and Trustee

# CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14(a) OF THE EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

- I, Marc Smernoff, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Americold Realty Trust;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
- (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
- (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
- (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
- (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
- (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
- (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 1, 2021

/s/ Marc J. Smernoff

Marc J. Smernoff

Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President

### CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Americold Realty Trust (the "Company") for the fiscal period ended December 31, 2020 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Fred Boehler, President, Chief Executive Officer and Trustee of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- 1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- 2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: March 1, 2021

/s/ Fred W. Boehler

Fred W. Boehler

President, Chief Executive Officer and Trustee

### CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Americold Realty Trust (the "Company") for the fiscal period ended December 31, 2020 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Marc Smernoff, Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- 1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- 2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: March 1, 2021

/s/ Marc J. Smernoff

Marc J. Smernoff

Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President

### DODD-FRANK ACT DISCLOSURE OF MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION SAFETY DATA

The following disclosures are provided pursuant to Section 1503(a) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Act") and Item 104 of Regulation S-K, which requires certain disclosures by companies required to file periodic reports under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that operate or formerly operated mines regulated under the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (the "Mine Act").

#### Mine Safety Information

During the time we owned it, the operation of our limestone quarry in Carthage, Missouri was inspected by the Federal Mine Safety and Health Administration ("MSHA") on an ongoing basis. Whenever MSHA believes a violation of the Mine Act, any health or safety standard or any regulation has occurred, it may issue a citation which describes the alleged violation and fixes a time within which the U.S. mining operator must abate the alleged violation. In some situations, such as when MSHA believes that conditions pose a hazard to miners, MSHA may issue an order removing miners from the area of the mine affected by the condition until the alleged hazards are corrected. When MSHA issues a citation or order, it generally proposes a civil penalty, or fine, as a result of the alleged violation, that the operator is ordered to pay. Citations and orders can be contested and appealed, and as part of that process, may be reduced in severity and amount, and are sometimes dismissed. The number of citations, orders and proposed assessments vary depending on the size and type (underground or surface) of the mine as well as by the MSHA inspector(s) assigned.

The following table includes information required by the Act for the last quarter that the limestone quarry in Carthage, Missouri was owned by us (June 30, 2020).

Mine or Operating Name (MSHA Identification Number)	Section 104 S&S Citations	Section 104(b) Orders	Section 104(d) Citations and Orders	Section 110(b)(2) Violations	Section 107(a) Orders	Total Dollar Value of MSHA Assessments Proposed	Total Number of Mining Related Fatalities	Received Notice of Pattern of Violations Under Section 104(e)	Notice of Potential to Have Pattern Under Section 104(e)	Legal Actions Pending as of Last Day of Period (1)	Legal Actions Initiated During Period	Legal Actions Resolved During Period	
Carthage Crushed Limestone (23-00028)	_	_	_	_	_	\$369.00	_	No	No	1	1	2	

(1) See table below for additional detail regarding Legal Actions Pending as of the last day the limestone quarry in Carthage, Missouri was owned by us (June 30, 2020). With respect to Contests of Proposed Penalties, we have included the number of dockets (as opposed to citations) when counting the number of Legal Actions Pending as of June 30, 2020.

Mine or Operating Name (MSHA Identification Number)	Contests of citations and orders (a)	Contests of proposed penalties <sup>(b)</sup>	Complaints for compensation (c)	Complaints of discharge, discrimination or interference (d)	Applications for temporary relief (e)	Appeals of judges' decisions or orders <sup>(f)</sup>
Carthage Crushed Limestone (23-00028)	_	1	_	_	_	_

- (a) Represents (if any) contests of citations and orders, which typically are filed prior to an operator's receipt of a proposed penalty assessment from MSHA or relate to orders for which penalties are not assessed (such as imminent danger orders under Section 107 of the Mine Act). This category includes: (i) contests of citations or orders issued under section 104 of the Mine Act, (ii) contests of imminent danger withdrawal orders under section 107 of the Mine Act, and (iii) Emergency response plan dispute proceedings (as required under the Mine Improvement and New Emergency Response Act of 2006, Pub. L. No. 109-236, 120 Stat. 493).
- (b) Represents (if any) contests of proposed penalties, which are administrative proceedings before the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission ("FMSHRC") challenging a civil penalty that MSHA has proposed for the violation contained in a citation or order.
- (c) Represents (if any) complaints for compensation, which are cases under section 111 of the Mine Act that may be filed with the FMSHRC by miners idled by a closure order issued by MSHA who are entitled to compensation.
- (d) Represents (if any) complaints of discharge, discrimination or interference under section 105 of the Mine Act, which cover: (i) discrimination proceedings involving a miner's allegation that he or she has suffered adverse employment action because he or she engaged in activity protected under the Mine Act, such as making a safety complaint, and (ii) temporary reinstatement proceedings involving cases in which a miner has filed a complaint with MSHA stating that he or she has suffered such discrimination and has lost his or her position. Complaints of Discharge, Discrimination, or Interference are also included in Contests of Proposed Penalties, column (b).
- (e) Represents (if any) applications for temporary relief, which are applications under section 105(b)(2) of the Mine Act for temporary relief from any modification or termination of any order or from any order issued under section 104 of the Mine Act (other than citations issued under section 104(a) or (f) of the Mine Act).

(f)	Represents (if any) appeals of judges' decisions or orders to the FMSHRC, including petitions for discretionary review and review by the FMSHRC on its own motion.

Registration Rights Agreement

Dated as of December 30, 2020

By and Among

Americold Realty trust,

as Issuer,

and

the Holders named herein

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#### REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

This **REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT**, dated as of December 30, 2020, is entered into by and among Americold Realty Trust, a Maryland real estate investment trust (the "Company"), and each Holder from time to time a party hereto.

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, on October 12, 2020, the Company, Agro Merchants Intermediate Holdings, L.P. ("Seller Holdings") and certain other parties entered into the Transaction Agreement (as defined below), pursuant to which the Company or one of its subsidiaries acquired 100% of the Equity Interests (as defined therein) of certain direct and indirect subsidiaries of Seller Holdings (the "Transaction");

**WHEREAS**, upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the Transaction Agreement, the Company has agreed to issue to Seller Holdings, 14,166,667 Common Shares (as defined below);

WHEREAS, the Transaction Agreement provides that the Company and Seller Holdings shall enter into a registration rights agreement as provided therein at the Closing; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, the parties hereto desire to enter into this Agreement for the Company to grant to the Holders the registration rights set forth in Article II and to provide for the other matters set forth herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the premises and the mutual agreements herein contained, and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

#### **SECTION 1.1 Definitions.**

In addition to the definitions set forth above, the following terms, as used herein, have the following meanings:

"Affiliate" of any particular Person means any other Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by or under common control with such Person. For purposes of this definition, "control" (including, the correlative meanings, "controlling", "controlled by" and "under common control with") means, with respect to a Person, the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of equity interests, including but not limited to voting securities, by contract or agency or otherwise; provided, that Holders shall not be considered Affiliates of the Company or its Subsidiaries solely as a result of Holders' beneficial ownership of Registrable Securities.

"Agreement" means this Registration Rights Agreement, as it may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"Block Trade" means any bought deal or block sale by the applicable Selling Holder to a financial institution.

"Business Day" means any day except a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks in The City of New York are authorized by law to close.

"Closing" is defined in the Transaction Agreement.

- "Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- "Common Shares" means the common shares of beneficial interest, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company.
- "End of Suspension Notice" is defined in Section 2.4(b).
- "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- "FINRA" means Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.
- "Holder" means any holder of Registrable Securities.
- "Indemnified Party" is defined in Section 2.9.
- "Indemnifying Party" is in Section 2.9.
- "Initial Prospectus Supplement" is defined in Section 2.1(b).
- "Lock-up Agreement" means the Lock-up Agreement to be entered into between the Seller Holdings and the Company pursuant to the Transaction Agreement.
  - "NYSE" is defined in Section 3.1.
- "Oaktree Investment Fund" means any investment fund, investment vehicle, holding company or other account that is, directly or indirectly, managed or advised by Oaktree Capital Management, L.P. or any of its Affiliates serves as the general partner, managing member or discretionary manager.
- "Overnight Underwritten Offering" means an underwritten offering that is launched after the close of trading on one trading day and priced before the open of trading on the next succeeding trading day.
- "<u>Permitted Transferee</u>" means any Person to whom a Holder sells, assigns, distributes or transfers all or a portion of its Registrable Securities; provided that (a) such Person executes and delivers to the Company a joinder to this Agreement under which it becomes a "Holder" under this Agreement and agrees to be bound by the provisions of this Agreement applicable to Holders and (b) in the event that such sale, assignment, distribution or transfer is to a Person that is not an Oaktree Investment Fund, the Company consents to the assignment of the rights and obligations of a "Holder" hereunder to such Person.
- "Person" means an individual or a corporation, partnership, limited liability company, association, trust, or any other entity or organization, including a government or political subdivision or an agency or instrumentality thereof.
  - "Piggy-Back Notice" is defined in Section 2.2.
  - "Piggy-Back Transaction" is defined in Section 2.2.
- "Registrable Securities" means the Common Shares issued to Seller Holdings pursuant to the Transaction Agreement and distributed or otherwise transferred, directly or indirectly, to any Oaktree Investment Fund, and any additional securities that may be issued or distributed or be issuable in respect of such Common Shares by way of conversion, dividend, stock-split, distribution or exchange, merger, consolidation, exchange, recapitalization or reclassification or similar transactions until (a) a registration statement covering such shares has been declared effective by the Commission and such shares have been disposed of pursuant to such effective registration

statement; (b) such shares have been sold under circumstances in which all of the applicable conditions of Rule 144 are met; or (c) such shares are otherwise transferred to any Person other than a Permitted Transferee.

"Registration Expenses" is defined in Section 2.6.

"Representatives" means, with respect to any Person, any of such Person's officers, directors, employees, agents, attorneys, accountants, actuaries, consultants or financial advisors or other Persons associated with, or acting on behalf of, such Person.

"Rule 144" means Rule 144 promulgated under the Securities Act, as amended from time to time, or any similar successor rule thereto that may be promulgated by the Commission.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Seller Holdings" is defined in the Transaction Agreement.

"Selling Holder" means a Holder who is selling or may sell Registrable Securities pursuant to a registration statement under the Securities Act pursuant to the terms hereof.

"Shelf Registration Statement" is defined in Section 2.1(a).

"Suspension Event" is defined in Section 2.4(a).

"Suspension Notice" is defined in Section 2.4(b).

"Transaction Agreement" means the Transaction Agreement, dated October 12, 2020, by and among the Company, Americold Realty Operating Partnership, L.P., Seller Holdings, Agro Merchants Global, LP, ("Seller Parent") the Subsidiaries of the Company set forth on Annex I thereto and the Subsidiaries of Seller Parent set forth on Annexes II and III thereto.

"Underwriter" means, with respect to any underwritten offering under this Agreement, an underwriter for such offering.

"Underwritten Shelf Offering" is defined in Section 2.1(c).

# ARTICLE II REGISTRATION RIGHTS

#### **SECTION 2.1** Shelf Registration.

a. <u>Preparation and Filing of Shelf Registration Statement.</u> Prior to the expiration of the Lock-up Agreement (or, to the extent the Lock-up Agreement is terminated or the transfer restriction set forth therein otherwise lapse prior to May 17, 2021, then as soon as reasonably practical after such date), the Company shall prepare and file an automatic shelf registration statement on Form S-3 of the Company that provides for the resale of all of the Registrable Securities on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act (a "Shelf Registration Statement") or add the Registrable Securities to an existing Shelf Registration Statement. The Company shall use commercially reasonable efforts to keep such Shelf Registration Statement continuously effective and in compliance with the Securities Act and useable for sale of such Registrable Securities for a period ending when all Registrable Securities covered by such Shelf Registration Statement are no longer Registrable Securities.

- b. <u>Selling Holders</u>. For any Shelf Registration Statement in <u>Section 2.1(a)</u>, the Company shall file a prospectus supplement (the "<u>Initial Prospectus Supplement</u>") naming each Holder as a Selling Holder under such Shelf Registration Statement in such a manner as to permit each Holder to deliver a prospectus to purchasers of Registrable Securities in accordance with applicable law. In the event that another Shelf Registration Statement is filed after the date of this Agreement pursuant to <u>Section 2.1(a)</u>, within three (3) Business Days after the time such Shelf Registration Statement becomes or is declared effective, each Holder shall be named as a Selling Holder in the Shelf Registration Statement, or in a prospectus supplement thereto, in such a manner as to permit such Seller to deliver a prospectus to purchasers of Registrable Securities in accordance with applicable law. If required by applicable law, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, after the filing of the Initial Prospectus Supplement or the effectiveness of a new Shelf Registration Statement, the Company shall file a supplement to such prospectus or amendment to the Shelf Registration Statement to name such Holder as a Selling Holder therein and shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause any post-effective amendment to such Shelf Registration Statement filed for such purpose to be declared effective by the Commission as promptly as reasonably practicable after the filing thereof.
- c. <u>Underwritten Shelf Offering.</u> Subject to <u>Section 2.4</u>, the Holders of at least a majority of the Registrable Securities may, by written notice to the Company, elect to sell some or all of the Registrable Securities registered pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement in the form of an underwritten offering under the Shelf Registration Statement (an "<u>Underwritten Shelf Offering</u>"); provided, that the Company shall not be obligated to effect more than two (2) underwritten offerings under this <u>Section 2.1(c)</u>. For the avoidance of doubt, the Holders may make an unlimited number of sales under any Shelf Registration Statement that are not underwritten offerings. Any request for an Underwritten Shelf Offering will specify the number of shares of Registrable Securities proposed to be sold and will also specify the intended method of disposition thereof (which may include a Block Trade or an Overnight Underwritten Offering). The Company shall select the Underwriter or Underwriters in connection with any such Underwritten Shelf Offering; provided that such Underwriters must be reasonably satisfactory to the Holders of at least a majority of the Registrable Securities to be sold in such Underwritten Shelf Offering.
- d. <u>Filing of Additional Registration Statements</u>. The Company shall prepare and file such additional registration statements or prospectus supplements thereto as may be necessary under the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to the Securities Act and use commercially reasonable efforts to cause such registration statements to be declared effective by the Commission so that the registration statement remains continuously effective with respect to resales of Registrable Securities as of and for the period required under the last sentence of <u>Section 2.1(a)</u> and the Holders may sell Registrable Securities as Selling Holders thereunder, such subsequent registration statements to constitute a Shelf Registration Statement hereunder. Each Shelf Registration Statement shall be an automatic shelf registration statement on Form S-3, the Shelf Registration Statement shall be a non-automatic shelf registration statement on Form S-3 and (ii) if the Company ceases to be eligible to use Form S-3, the Shelf Registration Statement shall be a registration statement on Form S-11.

#### **SECTION 2.2** Piggy-Back Transaction.

If the Company proposes to file (a) a prospectus supplement under the Securities Act pursuant to a registration statement in connection with an underwritten offering (other than an "at-the-market" offering) with respect to any offering of Common Shares solely for its own account, then the Company shall give written notice thereof to the Holders (a "Piggy-Back Notice") as soon as practicable (but in no event less than five (5) calendar days before the anticipated filing date or commencement date, as applicable) (a "Piggy-Back Transaction"). The Piggy-Back Notice shall state the intended method of disposition of the securities in the Piggy-Back Transaction, and such notice shall offer the Holders the opportunity to sell in such Piggy-Back Transaction such number of shares of Registrable Securities as each such Holder may request. Any Holder may elect to include its Registrable Securities in such Piggy-Back Transaction by delivering written notice of such election (including the number of shares of Registrable Securities it desires to include) within three (3) calendar days of receipt of the Piggy-Back Notice. The Company shall use commercially reasonable efforts, subject to Section 2.3, to cause the managing Underwriter or Underwriters of such Piggy-Back Transaction to permit the Registrable Securities requested to be

included therein to be included on the same terms and conditions as apply to the Company and any other securityholders. No Holder shall be permitted to withdraw all or part of its Registrable Securities from a Piggy-Back Transaction after electing to include them in such transaction without the prior written consent of the Company. The Company shall not be obligated to include Registrable Securities in more than one (1) Piggy-Back Transaction.

## **SECTION 2.3** Reduction of Offering.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein, if the managing Underwriter or Underwriters of an offering described in <u>Section 2.1(c)</u> or <u>Section 2.2</u> advise the Company and the Holders of the Registrable Securities included in such offering in writing that the size of the applicable underwritten offering is such that the success of the offering would be adversely affected by inclusion of the number of securities requested to be included, then the amount of securities to be offered shall be reduced to a number that, in the opinion of such managing Underwriter or Underwriters can be sold without having such an adverse effect, and such number of securities shall be allocated as follows:

- a. in the event of an Underwritten Shelf Offering, the securities to be included in such Underwritten Shelf Offering shall be allocated (i) first, to the Holders that have requested to participate in such Underwritten Shelf Offering on a *pro rata* basis based on the relative number of Registrable Securities then held by them and (ii) second, to the Company; and
- b. in the event of a Piggy-Back Transaction, the securities to be included in such Piggy-Back Transaction shall be allocated, (i) first, to the Company and (ii) second, and only if all the securities referred to in clause (i) have been included, to the Holders that have requested to participate in such Piggy-Back Transaction any other securities eligible for inclusion in such Piggy-Back Transaction (it being understood there are no such eligible securities as of the date of this Agreement) on a *pro rata* basis based on the relative number of securities then held by each of them. For clarity, the securities to be included in any offering in which the Company has exercised its rights pursuant to Section 2.4(a)(i)(A) shall be determined pursuant to this Section 2.3(b).

#### **SECTION 2.4 Black-Out Periods.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 2.1, the Company shall be permitted (x) to postpone the filing of any Shelf Registration Statement filed pursuant to Section 2.1, (y) to suspend the effectiveness of any Shelf Registration Statement or (z) to require the Holders not to sell Registrable Securities under any Shelf Registration Statement, in each case, for such times as the Company reasonably may determine is necessary and advisable, if any of the following events shall occur (each such circumstance a "Suspension Event"): (i) the board of trustees of the Company determines in good faith that (A) the Company intends to undertake an underwritten public offering in connection with a material transaction (provided, however, that to the extent the Company undertakes an underwritten public offering in connection with such transaction, Holders shall be entitled to the rights set forth in Section 2.2); (B) disclosure of a material transaction that would otherwise be required to be disclosed due to such registration would have an adverse effect on the Company or the Company's ability to consummate such a material transaction, (C) such registration or continued registration would require premature disclosure of material information that the Company has a bona fide business purpose for preserving as confidential or (D) such registration or continued registration would render the Company unable to comply with the requirements of the Securities Act or Exchange Act; or (ii) solely in the case of foregoing clause (y) or clause (z), the board of trustees of the Company determines in good faith after consultation with outside legal counsel for the Company that the Company is required by law, rule or regulation to supplement or amend a Shelf Registration Statement in order to ensure that it (or the prospectus contained therein) does not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. Upon the occurrence of any Suspension Event, the Company shall use commercially reasonable efforts to resolve the Suspension Event and to file the applicable Shelf Registration Statement, to cause the applicable Shelf Registration Statement to become effective and/or to permit resumed use of the Shelf Registration Statement, as applicable, as soon as reasonably possible. If the Company exercises a suspension under this Section 2.4(a), then during the period of such suspension, the Company shall not engage in any transaction involving the offer, issuance, sale or purchase of Company equity securities (whether for

the benefit of the Company or a third Person), except (A) transactions involving the issuance or purchase of Company equity securities as contemplated by employee benefit plans or employee or director arrangements and (B) in connection with a transaction described in clause (i) of this Section 2.4(a).

- b. The Company will provide written notice (a "Suspension Notice") to the Holders of the occurrence of any Suspension Event within three (3) calendar days after its occurrence; provided, however, that the Company shall not be permitted to exercise a suspension pursuant to Section 2.4(a) more than twice during any twelve (12)-month period or less than thirty (30) days following the conclusion of any prior Suspension Event; provided that in no event shall the number of days covered by one or more Suspension Events exceed ninety (90) days during the twelve (12)-month period immediately following the expiration of the Lockup Agreement or one hundred twenty (120) days in any three hundred and sixty-five (365)-day period thereafter. Upon receipt of a Suspension Notice, each Holder agrees that it will (i) immediately discontinue offers and sales of Registrable Securities under the applicable Shelf Registration Statement and (ii) maintain the confidentiality of any information included in the Suspension Notice unless otherwise required by law or subpoena. The Holders may recommence effecting offers and sales of the Registrable Securities pursuant to the applicable Shelf Registration Statement following further written notice to such effect (an "End of Suspension Notice") from the Company, which End of Suspension Notice shall be given by the Company to the Holders promptly (and no later than three (3) calendar days) following the conclusion of any Suspension Event and its effect. The filing of any prospectus by the Company relating to an underwritten offering of Common Shares shall be deemed an End of Suspension Notice.
- c. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, if the Company shall give a Suspension Notice with respect to any Shelf Registration Statement pursuant to Section 2.4(a), the Company agrees that it shall extend the period of time during which such Shelf Registration shall be maintained effective by the number of days during the period from the date of receipt by the Holders of the Suspension Notice to and including the date of receipt by the Holders of the End of Suspension Notice and promptly provide copies of the supplemented or amended prospectus necessary to resume offers and sales, with respect to each Suspension Event; provided, that such period of time shall not be extended beyond the date that the Registrable Securities covered by such Shelf Registration Statement are no longer Registrable Securities.

#### **SECTION 2.5** Registration Procedures; Filings; Information.

Subject to Section 2.4, in connection with any Shelf Registration Statement under Section 2.1 or Piggy-Back Transaction under Section 2.2, the Company will use commercially reasonable efforts to effect the registration and the sale of the applicable Registrable Securities in accordance with the intended method of disposition thereof as quickly as possible, and in connection with any such request:

- a. The Company will as expeditiously as possible, pursuant to the timing requirements set forth herein, prepare and file with the Commission the applicable registration statement on the applicable form required under this Agreement (or, if this Agreement does not require a form, any appropriate form permitting for the sale of the Registrable Securities according to the intended method of disposition) and use commercially reasonable efforts to cause such registration statement to become and remain effective in the case of a Shelf Registration Statement, for the period described in the last sentence of Section 2.1(a).
- b. The Company will, as promptly as practicable, prepare and file with the Commission such amendments, post-effective amendments and supplements to such registration statement and the prospectus used in connection therewith as may be necessary to cause or maintain the effectiveness of such registration statement for so long as such registration statement is required to be kept effective and to comply with the provisions of the Securities Act with respect to the disposition of all Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement during the period in which such registration statement is required to be kept effective, and, upon the written request of a Holder, the Company shall as soon as reasonably practicable amend or supplement the prospectus relating to a Shelf Registration Statement to facilitate a "take down" as may be reasonably requested by such Holder.
- c. The Company will, within a reasonable period of time prior (but no later than three (3) Business Days in the case of a registration statement and one (1) Business Day for other filings prior) to filing a registration

statement or prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto, furnish to each Holder of Registrable Securities being registered and each underwriter, if any, of the Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement copies of such registration statement as proposed to be filed, and thereafter furnish to such Holder and underwriter, if any, such number of conformed copies of such registration statement, each amendment and supplement thereto, the prospectus included in such registration statement and such other documents proposed to be filed including documents that are to be incorporated by reference into the registration statement, amendment or supplement, as such Holder or underwriter may reasonably request in order to facilitate the disposition of the Registrable Securities owned by such Holder. To the extent practicable, the Company shall consider in good faith such reasonable changes in any such documents prior to the filing thereof as the counsel to the Holders may request and the Company shall make available such of its representatives as shall be reasonably requested by the Holders or any underwriter available for discussion of such documents.

- d. The Company will promptly take all reasonable actions required to prevent, or obtain the withdrawal of, any stop order or other order suspending the use of any preliminary or final registration statement.
- e. The Company will use commercially reasonable efforts to register or qualify the Registrable Securities under such other securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdictions in the United States (where an exemption does not apply) as any Selling Holder or managing Underwriter or Underwriters, if any, reasonably (in light of such Selling Holder's intended method of disposition) requests; <u>provided</u> that the Company will not be required to qualify generally to do business in any jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to qualify but for this <u>clause (c)</u>.
- f. The Company will promptly (i) incorporate in a prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment such information as the Underwriter or the applicable Selling Holders reasonably request be included therein relating to the plan of distribution with respect to such Registrable Securities, and make all required filings of such prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment and (ii) in the case of such a post-effective amendment, use commercially reasonably best efforts to cause such post-effective amendment to be declared effective by the Commission as soon as reasonably possible (if such post-effective amendment is not automatically effective upon filing with the Commission); provided, that the Company shall have no obligation to modify any information if the Company reasonably expects that so doing would cause (A) such registration statement, prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment to contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading or (B) such filings to contain an untrue statement of a material fact or to omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- g. The Company will enter into customary underwriting agreements in customary and market form and use commercially reasonable efforts to take such other actions as the applicable Selling Holders or Underwriters, if any, reasonably request and that are required for the disposition of such Registrable Securities.
- h. The Company shall cooperate in good faith, subject to normal and customary confidentiality agreements and obligations, with any attorney, accountant or other professional retained by any Underwriter or Selling Holder in connection with the exercise of registration rights by a Holder pursuant to this Agreement, if applicable.
- i. The Company may require each applicable Selling Holder to promptly furnish in writing to the Company such information regarding such Selling Holder, the Registrable Securities held by it and the intended method of disposition of the Registrable Securities as the Company may from time to time reasonably request and such other information as may be legally required in connection with such registration.
- j. Each Selling Holder agrees that it will promptly notify the Company at any time when a prospectus relating to the registration of such Registrable Securities is required to be delivered under the Securities Act of the happening of an event as a result of which information previously furnished by such Selling Holder to the Company in writing for inclusion in such prospectus contains an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state

any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances in which they were made.

- k. In the case of an underwritten offering, the Company will cooperate with the customary marketing efforts of the Underwriters, including, without limitation, providing information and materials and making appropriate senior executive officers of the Company available to participate in meetings, customary "road show" presentations and/or investor conference calls to market the Registrable Securities that may be reasonably requested by the Underwriters in any such underwritten offering and otherwise to reasonably facilitate, cooperate with, and participate in each proposed offering contemplated herein and customary selling efforts related thereto.
- 1. In the case of an Overnight Underwritten Offering, the Company will use its commercially reasonable efforts to effect the registration and the sale of the applicable Registrable Securities in accordance with the intended method of disposition thereof as quickly as practicable; <u>provided</u> that the applicable Selling Holders provide the Company with at least two (2) calendar days' notice of such offering.
- m. The Company shall make available for inspection by any Selling Holder of Registrable Securities, any underwriter participating in any disposition of such Registrable Securities and any attorney, accountant or other professional retained by any such Selling Holder or underwriter (the "Inspectors"), all financial and other records, pertinent corporate documents and properties of the Company (collectively, the "Records") as shall be reasonably necessary to enable them to exercise their due diligence responsibility, and cause the Company's officers, trustees and employees to supply all information reasonably requested by any Inspector in connection with such registration statement, subject to entry by each such Inspector of a customary confidentiality agreement in a form reasonably acceptable to the Company.

#### **SECTION 2.6** Registration Expenses.

In connection with any registration statement required to be filed hereunder, the Company shall pay the following registration expenses incurred in connection with the registration hereunder (the "Registration Expenses"), regardless of whether such registration statement is declared effective by the Commission: (i) all registration and filing fees, and any other fees and expenses associated with filings required to be made with the Commission or FINRA, (ii) fees and expenses of compliance with securities or blue sky laws (including reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel in connection with blue sky qualifications of the Registrable Securities), (iii) all printing, duplicating, word processing, messenger, telephone, facsimile and delivery expenses (including expenses of printing certificates for the Registrable Securities in a form eligible for deposit with The Depository Trust Company and of printing prospectuses), (iv) all of the Company's internal expenses, (v) fees and expenses incurred in connection with the listing of the Registrable Securities on NYSE or other applicable national securities exchange, and (v) reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company and customary fees and expenses for independent certified public accountants retained by the Company (including in connection with any comfort letters). The Company shall have no obligation to pay any underwriting fees, discounts or commissions attributable to the sale of Registrable Securities or any transfer taxes relating to the registration or sale of the Registrable Securities, nor will the Company have any obligation to pay any attorneys' or other advisors' fees of the Selling Holders.

## **SECTION 2.7 Indemnification by the Company.**

The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless, to the full extent permitted by law, each Selling Holder, each stockholder, member, limited partner or general partner thereof, each stockholder, member, limited partner or general partner of each such stockholder, member, limited or general partner, each of their respective Affiliates, officers, directors, stockholders, employees, advisors, and agents and each Person, if any, who controls such Persons within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act and each of their respective Representatives from and against any and all losses, penalties, judgments, suits, costs, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses (including reasonable costs of investigation and legal expenses) (each, a "Loss", and collectively, "Losses") finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to have arisen out of any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any registration statement or prospectus relating to such Registrable Securities, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any preliminary prospectus, or out of

any omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, except insofar as such Losses arise out of or are based upon any such untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission with respect to information relating to such Selling Holder that was included in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by such Selling Holder or on such Selling Holder's behalf for inclusion therein or that are due to such Selling Holder's failure to deliver a copy of such registration statement or prospectus relating to such Registrable Securities, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any preliminary prospectus after the Company has made available or furnished such Selling Holder with copies of the same prior to any written confirmation of the sale of Registrable Securities. This indemnity shall be in addition to any liability the Company may otherwise have. Such indemnity shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of such Selling Holder or any Indemnified Party.

#### **SECTION 2.8** Indemnification by Holders of Registrable Securities.

Each Selling Holder agrees, severally but not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, its officers, directors, trustees and agents and each Person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of either Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act and each of their respective Representatives to the same extent as the foregoing indemnity from the Company to such Selling Holder pursuant to Section 2.7, but only with respect to (a) written information relating to such Selling Holder included in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing by such Selling Holder or on such Selling Holder's behalf for use in any registration statement or prospectus relating to the Registrable Securities of such Selling Holder, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any preliminary prospectus and (b) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or material omission contained in any registration statement or prospectus relating to such Registrable Securities (i) that such Selling Holder knew to be untrue or knew to be an omission or that such Selling Holder reasonably should have known to be untrue or reasonably should have known to be an omission and (ii) which the Company did not know to be untrue or did not know to be an omission. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event will the liability of a Selling Holder under this Section 2.8 or Section 2.10 or otherwise hereunder exceed the net proceeds actually received by such Selling Holder from the sale of its Registrable Securities hereunder. This indemnity shall be in addition to any liability each Selling Holder may otherwise have.

#### **SECTION 2.9** Conduct of Indemnification Proceedings.

In case any proceeding (including any governmental investigation) shall be instituted involving any Person in respect of which indemnity may be sought pursuant to Section 2.7 or Section 2.8, such Person (an "Indemnified Party") shall promptly notify the Person against whom such indemnity may be sought (an "Indemnifying Party") in writing and the Indemnifying Party shall assume the defense thereof, including the employment of counsel reasonably satisfactory to such Indemnified Party, and shall assume the payment of all fees and expenses; provided that the failure of any Indemnified Party to give such notice will not relieve such Indemnifying Party of its obligations under Section 2.7 or Section 2.8, as applicable, except to the extent such Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced by such failure. In any such proceeding, any Indemnified Party shall have the right to retain its own counsel, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such Indemnified Party unless (a) the Indemnifying Party and the Indemnified Party shall have mutually agreed to the retention of such counsel or (b) the named parties to any such proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both the Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party and representation of both parties by the same counsel would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interests between them. It is understood that the Indemnifying Party shall not, in connection with any proceeding or related proceedings in the same jurisdiction, be liable for the reasonable fees and expenses of more than one separate firm of attorneys (in addition to any local counsel) at any time for all such Indemnified Parties, and that all such fees and expenses shall be reimbursed as they are incurred. In the case of any such separate firm for the Indemnified Parties, such firm shall be designated in writing by (i) in the case of Persons indemnified pursuant to Section 2.7, the Selling Holders and (ii) in the case of Persons indemnified pursuant to Section 2.8, the Company. The Indemnifying Party shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. No Indemnifying Party shall, without the prior written consent of the Indemnified Party (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed), effect any settlement of any pending or threatened proceeding in respect of with any Indemnified Party is

or could have been a party and indemnity could have been sought hereunder by such Indemnified Party, unless such settlement includes an unconditional release of such Indemnified Party from all liability arising out of such proceeding without any admission of liability by such Indemnified Party.

#### SECTION 2.10 Contribution.

- a. If the indemnification provided for in Section 2.7 or Section 2.8 is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unavailable to an Indemnified Party or insufficient in respect of any Losses referred to herein, then each such Indemnifying Party, in lieu of indemnifying such Indemnified Party, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such Indemnified Party as a result of such Losses as between the Company on the one hand and each Selling Holder on the other, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the Company and of each Selling Holder in connection with such statements or omissions which resulted in such Losses, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative fault of the Company on the one hand and of each Selling Holder on the other shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by such party, and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission.
- b. The amount paid or payable by an Indemnified Party as a result of the Losses referred to in Section 2.10(a) shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth above, any out-of-pocket legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such Indemnified Party in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 2.10, no Selling Holder shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the securities of such Selling Holder were offered to the public exceeds the amount of any damages which such Selling Holder has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No Person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any Person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Selling Holder's obligations to contribute pursuant to this Section 2.10 are several in such proportion that the proceeds of the offering received by such Selling Holder bears to the total proceeds of the offering received by all the Selling Holders, and not joint.

#### **SECTION 2.11** Participation in Underwritten Offerings.

No Person may participate in any underwritten offering hereunder unless such Person (a) agrees to sell such Person's securities on the basis provided in any underwriting agreement (which shall be reasonably satisfactory to such Person in form and substance) and (b) completes and executes all customary questionnaires and other documents reasonably required under the terms of such customary underwriting agreement.

#### **SECTION 2.12** Rule 144.

The Company covenants (i) that it will timely file any reports required to be filed by it under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act to the extent required from time to time to enable Holders to sell Registrable Securities without registration under the Securities Act within the limitation of the exemptions provided by Rule 144 and (ii) that it will cooperate with the Holders to cause the transfer agent to remove any restrictive legend on certificates evidencing Registrable Securities in connection with any proposed sale pursuant to Rule 144, subject to the expiration of the Lock-Up Agreement with respect to the applicable Registrable Securities). This Section 2.12 shall survive the termination of the Agreement so long as any Holder continues to hold Registrable Securities.

## **SECTION 2.13** Termination.

This Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force or effect when there shall be no Registrable Securities outstanding; <u>provided</u>, that <u>Sections 2.7</u>, <u>2.8, 2.9, 2.10</u> and <u>Article III (other than Section 3.1)</u> shall survive any such termination

#### ARTICLE III MISCELLANEOUS

#### SECTION 3.1 NYSE Listing.

For so long as any Common Stock is listed on The New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") or any other stock exchange, the Company shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause any Registrable Securities to be listed on the NYSE or such other exchange by the date that the Lock-up Agreement expires.

#### **SECTION 3.2** Amendments and Waivers.

Any provisions of this Agreement may be amended, modified, supplemented or waived with the written approval of each of the Company and the Holders of a majority of the Registrable Securities. Any amendment or waiver effected in accordance with this Section 3.2 shall be binding upon each Holder and the Company. No delay or omission to exercise any right, power or remedy accruing to any party, upon any breach or default of any other party under this Agreement will impair any such right, power or remedy of such party, nor will it be construed to be a waiver of any such breach or default, or an acquiescence therein, or of any similar breach or default thereafter occurring, nor will any waiver of any single breach or default be deemed a waiver of any other breach or default theretofore or thereafter occurring, nor will any provision of this Agreement be implied from any course of dealing between the parties hereto. Any waiver, permit, consent or approval of any kind or character on the part of any party of any breach of default under this Agreement or any waiver on the part of any party of any provisions or conditions of this Agreement must be made in writing and will be effective only to the extent specifically set forth in such writing.

#### **SECTION 3.3** Notices.

All notices, demands and other communications to be given or delivered under or by reason of the provisions of this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given (a) when personally delivered, (b) when transmitted via telecopy (or other facsimile device) to the number set out below or transmitted by electronic mail if the sender on the same day sends a confirming copy of such notice in accordance with immediately following clause (c) or (c) the day on which the same has been delivered to the intended recipient if sent prepaid by (i) with respect to a delivery in the United States, a nationally recognized overnight delivery service (with tracking capability) and (ii) with respect to a delivery outside of the United States, an internationally recognized overnight delivery service (with tracking capability), in each case to the respective parties at the address set forth below, or at such other address as such party may specify by written notice to the other party hereto. Failure to comply with the provisions in this Section 3.3 will not affect the rights or obligations of any party except to the extent that nay such failure materially and adversely prejudices another party.

If to the Company: Americold Realty Trust

10 Glenlake Parkway South Tower, Suite 800 Atlanta, Georgia 30328 Attn: General Counsel Fax: (678) 387-4774

With a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

King & Spalding LLP 1180 Peachtree Street Atlanta, Georgia 30309 Attn: C. Spencer Johnson, III

If to the Holders: To the addresses set forth in Schedule A.

#### **SECTION 3.4** Successors and Assigns.

Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, the rights and obligations of the Holders under this Agreement shall not be assignable by any Holder to any Person that is not a Holder. The rights and obligations of the Company under this Agreement shall not be assignable by the Company to any other Person.

#### **SECTION 3.5** Effective Time.

This Agreement shall become effective upon the date of the Closing.

#### **SECTION 3.6** Entire Agreement.

This Agreement, the Transaction Agreement and the other agreements referenced herein and therein constitute the entire agreement among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and thereof, and supersede any prior agreement or understanding among them, whether oral or written.

#### **SECTION 3.7** Governing Law.

THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED ENTIRELY WITHIN SUCH STATE. Any and all claims, controversies, and causes of action arising out of or relating to this Agreement, whether sounding in contract, tort, or statute, shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York, including its statutes of limitations, without giving effect to any conflict-of-laws or other rule that would result in the application of the laws of a different jurisdiction. Each of the parties hereto (i) shall submit itself to the exclusive jurisdiction of any federal court located in the State of New York or any New York state court having subject matter jurisdiction in the event any dispute or claim that arises out of this Agreement, (ii) agrees that venue will be proper as to Proceedings brought in any such court with respect to such a dispute, (iii) will not attempt to deny or defeat such personal jurisdiction or venue by motion or other request for leave from any such court and (iv) agrees to accept service of process at its address for notices pursuant to this Agreement in any such action or Proceeding brought in any such court. With respect to any such action, service of process upon any party hereto in the manner provided in Section 3.3 for the giving of notices shall be deemed, in every respect, effective service of process upon such party. Each of the parties hereto irrevocably waives any immunity to jurisdiction to which it may be entitled or become entitled (including sovereign immunity, immunity to pre-award attachment, post-award attachment or otherwise) in any Proceedings against it arising out of or based on this Agreement or the Transaction.

## SECTION 3.8 Jurisdiction; Court Proceedings; Waiver of Jury Trial.

EACH PARTY HERETO ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT ANY CONTROVERSY WHICH MAY ARISE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT ISSUES AND, THEREFORE, EACH SUCH PARTY HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT SUCH PARTY MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY ACTION DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF, UNDER OR IN CONNECTION WITH OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, ANY ANCILLARY AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS. EACH PARTY HERETO CERTIFIES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT (A) NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HERETO HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF SUCH ACTION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER, (B) EACH SUCH PARTY UNDERSTANDS AND HAS CONSIDERED THE IMPLICATIONS OF THIS WAIVER, (C) EACH SUCH PARTY MAKES THIS WAIVER VOLUNTARILY AND (D) EACH SUCH PARTY HAS BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS Section 3.8.

#### **SECTION 3.9** Interpretation; Construction.

The Article and Section headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not be deemed to alter or affect the meaning or interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. References to Articles, Sections of Schedules in this Agreement, unless otherwise indicated, are references to Articles, Sections and Schedules of or to this Agreement. The parties to this Agreement have participated jointly in the negotiation and drafting of this Agreement. In the event an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises with respect to any term or provision of this Agreement, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the parties to this Agreement, and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any party to this Agreement by virtue of the authorship of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement. Any reference to any federal, state, county, local or foreign statute or law shall be deemed also to refer to all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, unless the context requires otherwise. For all purposes of and under this Agreement, (i) the word "including" shall be deemed to be immediately followed by the words "without limitation;" (ii) words (including defined terms) in the singular shall be deemed to include the plural and vice versa; (iii) words of one gender shall be deemed to include the other gender as the context requires; (iv) the terms "hereof," "herein," "hereof," "herein," "herein," and any other words of similar import shall, unless otherwise stated, be construed to refer to this Agreement as a whole (including all of the Schedules to this Agreement) and not to any particular term or provision of this Agreement, unless otherwise specified; (v) the use of the word "or" shall not be exclusive; (vi) all monetary figures shall be in United States dollars unless otherwise specified; (vii) the word "extent" in the phrase "to the extent" shall mean the degree to which a subject or other theory extends and such phrase shall not mean

## SECTION 3.10 Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed by facsimile or pdf signatures and in any number of counterparts with the same effect as if all signatory parties had signed the same document. All counterparts shall be construed together and shall constitute one and the same instrument.

#### **SECTION 3.11** Severability.

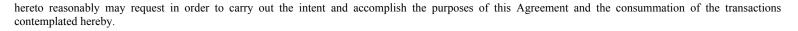
Should any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any Person or circumstance be held invalid or unenforceable to any extent: (a) such provision shall be ineffective to the extent, and only to the extent, of such unenforceability or prohibition and shall be enforced to the greatest extent permitted by law, (b) such unenforceability or prohibition in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision as applied (i) to other Persons or circumstances or (ii) in any other jurisdiction, and (c) such unenforceability or prohibition shall not affect or invalidate any other provision of this Agreement.

#### **SECTION 3.12** Remedies; Specific Performance.

All remedies, either under this Agreement or by law or otherwise afforded to the parties hereunder, shall be cumulative and not alternative. The parties agree that irreparable damage would occur in the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement were not performed in accordance with their specific terms or were otherwise breached. Accordingly, the parties agree that, in addition to any other remedies, each party shall be entitled to enforce the terms of this Agreement by a decree of specific performance without the necessity of proving the inadequacy of money damages as a remedy. Each party hereby waives any requirement for the securing or posting of any bond in connection with such remedy. Each party further agrees that the only permitted objection that it may raise in response to any action for equitable relief is that it contests the existence of a breach or threatened breach of this Agreement.

#### **SECTION 3.13 Further Assurances.**

Each party hereto shall do and perform or cause to be done and performed all such further acts and things and shall execute and deliver all such other agreements, certificates, instruments, and documents as any other party



## **SECTION 3.14** Termination as to a Holder.

Any Person who ceases to hold any Registrable Securities shall cease to be a Holder and shall have no further rights or obligations under this Agreement (except with respect to any indemnification or contribution rights or obligations under this Agreement) until such time as such Person once again holds Registrable Securities.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

## AMERICOLD REALTY TRUST

Ву:	
Name	<u>:</u>
Title:	
	[Signatures continue on following page]

## AGRO MERCHANTS INTERMEDIATE HOLDINGS, LP

By:		
Name:		
Title:		

#### Schedule A

Notice shall be provided to each Holder of Registrable Securities using the address below.

c/o Oaktree Capital Management, L.P.

333 South Grand Avenue, 28th Floor Los Angeles, California 90071

Email: zserebrenik@oaktreecapital.com Attention: Zach Serebrenik

With a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Latham & Watkins LLP

10250 Constellation Blvd Suite 1100 Los Angeles, California 90067

Email: <u>steven.stokdyk@lw.com</u>; <u>sean.denvir@lw.com</u> Attention: Steven Stokdyk; Sean Denvir

Jurisdiction of Incorporation

## List of Subsidiaries

Subsidiary

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3333493 Nova Scotia Company	Canada
Agro Charleston, LLC	Delaware
Agrofundo Brasil II Fundo de Investimento em Paricipacoes	Brazil
Agro Houston, LLC	Delaware
Agro Improvement Participacoes S.A.	Brazil
Agro Merchants Algeciras, S.L.U.	Spain
Agro Merchants Barcelona Santa Perpatua, S.A.	Spain
Agro Merchants Barcelona-Palau, S.A.U.	Spain
Agro Merchants Barnesveld Packaging B.V.	Netherlands
Agro Merchants Barnesveld Warehousing B.V.	Netherlands
Agro Merchants Castleblayney Limited (Ireland)	Ireland
Agro Merchants Carson, LLC	Delaware
Agro Merchants Chile Holdings SpA	Chile
Agro Merchants Dublin Holdings Limited	Ireland
Agro Merchants Dublin RE Limited	Ireland
Agro Merchants Dublin Transport Limited	Ireland
Agro Merchants European Holdings II S.a.r.l	Luxembourg
Agro Merchants European Holdings S.a.r.l	Luxembourg
Agro Merchants European Intermediate Holdings S.a.r.	Luxembourg
Agro Merchants Gdansk sp. Z o o.	Poland
Agro Merchants Holdings UK Limited	N. Ireland
Agro Merchants IR RE Holdco Limited	Ireland
Agro Merchants Ireland Limited	Ireland
Agro Merchants Ireland Properties Limited (Ireland)	Luxembourg
Agro Merchants LATAM Holdings S.a.r.l	Luxembourg
Agro Merchants Lisboa Transport Unipessol, Lda	Portugal
Agro Merchants Lisboa Warehousing S.A.	Portugal
Agro Merchants Lough Eglish Limited (Ireland)	Ireland
Agro Merchants Lurgan Transport Ltd.	N. Ireland
Agro Merchants Lurgan Warehousing Ltd.	N. Ireland

Agro Merchants Maasvlakte B.V. Agro Merchants Netherlands B.V.

Agro Merchants North America Intermediate Holdings, LLC

Agro Merchants North America Holdings, LLC

Agro Merchants Oakland, LLC

Agro Merchants Poland Holdings sp. Z o o. Agro Merchants Porto Warehousing S.A.

Agro Merchants Portugal, SGPS, S.A.

Agro Merchants Rotterdam Packaging B.V. Agro Merchants Rotterdam Warehousing B.V.

Agro Merchants Sines, Unipessol LDA

Agro Merchants UK LLP

Agro Merchants Urk B.V.

Agro Merchants Valencia S.L.U.

Agro Merchants Westland Holding B.V. Agro Merchants Westland Packaging B.V.

Agro Merchants Westland Warehousing B.V.

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Agro Merchants Wien Holdings GmbH

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Americold Acquisition Partnership GP LLC

Americold Acquisition, LLC Americold Australia PTY Ltd. Americold Australia Realty Trust Americold Australian Holdings PTY Ltd. Americold Australian Logistics PTY Ltd.

Americold Brazil Participcoes S.A Americold Brisbane Realty Trust

Americold Chambersburg Holdings, LLC

Americold Clearfield Opco, LLC Americold Clearfield Propco, LLC Americold Food Logistics PTY Ltd. Americold Investments PTY Ltd.

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Americold Hawkeye Blocker GP LLC
Americold Hawkeye Parent LLC
Delaware

Canada

AMLOG Canada Inc.

ART AL Holding LLC	Delaware
ART First Mezzanine Borrower Opco 2002-2 L.P.	Delaware
ART First Mezzanine Borrower Propco GP 2006-2, LLC	Delaware
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ART Leasing LLC	Delaware
ART Manager L.L.C.	Delaware
ART Mezzanine Borrower Opco 2013 LLC	Delaware
ART Mezzanine Borrower Propco 2013 LLC	Delaware
ART Mortgage Borrower GP LLC	Delaware
ART Mortgage Borrower Opco 2006-1A L.P.	Delaware
ART Mortgage Borrower Opco 2006-1B L.P.	Delaware
ART Mortgage Borrower Opco 2006-1C L.P.	Delaware
ART Mortgage Borrower Opco 2006-2 L.P.	Delaware
ART Mortgage Borrower Opco 2010 -4 LLC	Delaware
ART Mortgage Borrower Opco 2010 - 5 LLC	Delaware
ART Mortgage Borrower Opco 2010 -6 LLC	Delaware
ART Mortgage Borrower Opco 2013 LLC	Delaware
ART Mortgage Borrower Opco GP 2006-1A LLC	Delaware
ART Mortgage Borrower Opco GP 2006-1B LLC	Delaware
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ART Mortgage Borrower, L.P.	Delaware
ART Second Mezzanine Borrower Opco 2013 LLC	Delaware
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Cloverleaf Cold Storage Co LLC

CCS Realty, LLC

CCS Property Owner, LLC

Delaware
Icecap Australia MIT Holding, LLC

Cold Logic ULC

Canada

Ireland

Delaware

Castleblayney RE Limited

Cloverleaf Cold Storage, LLC

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Hall's Fast Motor Freight, Inc. New Jersey Hall's Logistics, Inc. New Jersey Harthoorne Beheer B.V. Netherlands Delaware Icecap Properties AU LLC Icecap Properties NZ Holdings LLC Delaware Icecap Properties NZ Limited LLC New Zealand Icicle Australia Property Pty Limited Australia Icicle NZ Property Limited New Zealand Inland Quarries, L.L.C. Delaware KCL Equipment Owner, LLC Delaware Lanier Cold Storage LLC Georgia Lanier Freezer, LLC Georgia LBC Consultores LDA Portugal Lough Eglish RE Limited Ireland Lurgan RE 1 Ltd. N. Ireland Lurgan RE II Ltd. N. Ireland Lucca Freezer & Cold Storage, LLC Delaware Lucca Newco, LLC Delaware Lucca Trucking, LLC Delaware Maasylalte RE B.V. Netherlands MHG Gateway Properties, LLC Delaware MHW Group at Perryville, LLC Maryland Monmouth Property Development, LLC Illinois Mullica Hill Cold Storage, LLC Delaware Mullica Hill Group, LLC Delaware NCS Trucking, LLC Minnesota New Hall's Warehouse LLC New Jersey Newport St. Paul Cold Storage, LLC Minnesota Nordic Atlanta Cold Storage, LLC Delaware Nordic Atlanta Warehouse Services, LLC Delaware Nordic Cold Holdings, LLC Delaware Nordic Cold Storage Holdings II, LLC Delaware Nordic Cold Storage Holdings, LLC Delaware Nordic Logistic Services, LLC Delaware Nordic Logistics & Warehousing, LLC Delaware

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Oak Tree Truck Rental Corp Portfresh Development, LLC Delaware Portfresh Holdings, LLC Delaware Project London Buyer 1, LLC Delaware Project London Buyer 2, LLC Delaware Project Shiver 1, LLC Delaware Project Shiver 2, LLC Delaware Project Shiver 3, LLC Delaware Savannah Cold Storage LLC Delaware Sawyers Distribution (Moy) Limited N. Ireland

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