UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 20, 2017 (January 19, 2017)

Arbor Realty Trust, Inc.

(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

MARYLAND

(STATE OF INCORPORATION)

001-32136 (COMMISSION FILE NUMBER) 20-0057959 (IRS EMPLOYER ID. NUMBER)

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□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On January 19, 2017, Arbor Realty Trust, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Company") entered into an underwriting agreement (the "Underwriting Agreement"), by and among the Company, Arbor Realty Limited Partnership, a Delaware limited partnership, and JMP Securities LLC, as sole underwriter, relating to the issuance and sale by the Company of \$13,750,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company's 6.50% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019 (the "Reopened Notes").

The Reopened Notes will be a further issuance of, be fully fungible with, and rank equally in right of payment with and form a single series with the \$86,250,000 principal amount of 6.50% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019 initially issued by the Company in October 2016 (the "Existing Notes" and, together with the Reopened Notes, the "Notes"). Following this offering, the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Notes will be \$100,000,000.

The offer and sale of the Reopened Notes were registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-212554) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). The material terms of the Reopened Notes are described in a prospectus supplement filed by the Company with the Commission on January 20, 2017 pursuant to Rule 424(b)(5) under the Securities Act.

The foregoing summary does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Underwriting Agreement, which is attached as Exhibit 1.1 hereto.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Exhibit
1.1	Underwriting Agreement, dated January 19, 2017, by and among Arbor Realty Trust, Inc., Arbor Realty Limited Partnership and JMP
	Securities LLC

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ARBOR REALTY TRUST, INC.

By:	/s/ Paul Elenio
Name:	Paul Elenio
Title:	Chief Financial Officer

Date: January 20, 2017

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Exhibit 1.1

Execution Version

Arbor Realty Trust, Inc.

6.50% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019

Underwriting Agreement

January 19, 2017

JMP Securities LLC 600 Montgomery Street, Suite 1100 San Francisco, California 94111

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Arbor Realty Trust, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "**Company**"), proposes to issue and sell to you (the "**Underwriter**") \$13,750,000 principal amount of its 6.50% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019 (the "**Securities**"). The Securities will be convertible into cash, shares (the "**Underlying Securities**") of common stock of the Company, par value \$0.01 per share (the "**Common Stock**"), or a combination thereof, at the Company's election. The Securities will be issued pursuant to an Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2014 (the "**Base Indenture**"), between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the "**Trustee**"), as supplemented by a supplemental indenture (the "**Supplemental Indenture**" and, together with the Base Indenture, the "**Indenture**") dated as of October 5, 2016 between the Company and the Trustee.

In addition to the Company, Arbor Realty Limited Partnership, a Delaware limited partnership (the "**Operating Partnership**"), also confirms as follows its respective representations, warranties, covenants and agreements with the Underwriter.

The Company hereby confirms its agreement with the Underwriter concerning the purchase and sale of the Securities, as follows:

1. <u>Registration Statement</u>. The Company has prepared and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**Commission**") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, the "**Securities Act**"), a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-212554) including a base prospectus (the "**Base Prospectus**"), relating to the Securities. Such registration statement, as amended at the time it became effective, including the information, if any, deemed pursuant to Rule 430A, 430B or 430C under the Securities Act to be part of the registration statement at the time of its effectiveness ("**Rule 430 Information**"), is referred to herein as the "**Registration Statement**"; and as used herein, the term "**Prospectus**" means the Base Prospectus, as supplemented by the prospectus supplement dated January 19, 2017 relating to the Securities in the form first used (or made available upon request of purchasers pursuant to Rule 173 under the Securities Act) in connection with confirmation of sales of the Securities (the "**Prospectus Supplement**"). If the Company has filed an abbreviated registration statement pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act (the "**Rule 462 Registration Statement**"), then any reference herein to the term "Registration Statement" shall be deemed to include such Rule 462 Registration Statement. Any

reference in this underwriting agreement (this "**Agreement**") to the Registration Statement, the Base Prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the documents incorporated by reference therein pursuant to Item 12 of Form S-3 under the Securities Act, as of the effective date of the Registration Statement, the date of the Base Prospectus or the Prospectus, as the case may be and any reference to "amend", "amendment" or "supplement" with respect to the Registration Statement, the Base Prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include any documents filed after such date under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, the "**Exchange Act**"), that are deemed to be incorporated by reference therein. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus.

At or prior to the time when sales of the Securities were first made (the "**Time of Sale**"), the Company had prepared the following information (collectively, the "**Time of Sale Information**"): the Base Prospectus and each "free writing prospectus" (as defined pursuant to Rule 405 under the Securities Act), if any, listed on Annex A hereto, and the pricing information set forth in Annex B hereto.

2. <u>Purchase of the Securities</u>.

(a) The Company agrees to issue and sell the Securities to the Underwriter as provided in this Agreement, and the Underwriter, on the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements set forth herein and subject to the conditions set forth herein, agrees to purchase from the Company the principal amount of Securities set forth opposite the Underwriter's name in Schedule 1 hereto at a price equal to 98% of the principal amount thereof (the "**Purchase Price**") plus accrued interest, if any, from October 5, 2016 to the Closing Date (as defined below).

(b) The Company understands that the Underwriter intends to make a public offering of the Securities as soon after the effectiveness of this Agreement as in the judgment of the Underwriter is advisable, and initially to offer the Securities on the terms set forth in the Prospectus. The Company acknowledges and agrees that the Underwriter may offer and sell Securities to or through any affiliate of the Underwriter and that any such affiliate may offer and sell Securities purchased by it to or through the Underwriter.

(c) Payment for the Securities shall be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to the account specified by the Company to the Underwriter at the offices of Cooley LLP, 1114 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036 at 10:00 A.M. New York City time on January 27, 2017, or at such other time or place on the same or such other date, not later than the fifth business day thereafter, as the Underwriter and the Company may agree upon in writing. The time and date of such payment for the Securities is referred to herein as the "Closing Date".

Payment for the Securities to be purchased on the Closing Date shall be made against delivery to the nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("**DTC**"), for the account of the Underwriter of the Securities to be purchased on such date of one or more global notes

representing the Securities (collectively, the "**Global Note**"), with any transfer taxes payable in connection with the sale of such Securities duly paid by the Company. The Global Note will be made available for inspection by the Underwriter at the office of JMP Securities LLC set forth above not later than 1:00 P.M., New York City time, on the business day prior to the Closing Date.

(d) The Company acknowledges and agrees that the Underwriter is acting solely in the capacity of an arm's length contractual counterparty to the Company with respect to the offering of Securities contemplated hereby (including in connection with determining the terms of the offering) and not as a financial advisor or a fiduciary to, or an agent of, the Company or any other person. Additionally, the Underwriter is not advising the Company or any other person as to any legal, tax, investment, accounting or regulatory matters in any jurisdiction. The Company shall consult with its own advisors concerning such matters and shall be responsible for making its own independent investigation and appraisal of the transactions contemplated hereby, and the Underwriter shall have no responsibility or liability to the Company with respect thereto. Any review by the Underwriter of the Company, the transactions contemplated hereby or other matters relating to such transactions will be performed solely for the benefit of the Underwriter and shall not be on behalf of the Company.

3. <u>Representations and Warranties of the Company and the Operating Partnership</u>. The Company and the Operating Partnership each, joint and severally, represent and warrant to the Underwriter that:

(a) *Compliance with Registration Requirements.* The Company meets the requirements for use of Form S-3 under the Securities Act. Each of the Registration Statement and any Rule 462 Registration Statement has become effective under the Securities Act and no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or any Rule 462 Registration Statement has been issued under the Securities Act and no proceedings for that purpose have been instituted or are pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, are contemplated by the Commission, and any request on the part of the Commission for additional information has been complied with.

At the respective times the Registration Statement, and any post-effective amendments thereto, became or become effective and at the Registration Statement's "new effective date" with respect to the Underwriter pursuant to Rule 430B(f)(2) promulgated under the Securities Act, the Registration Statement and any amendments and supplements thereto complied and will comply in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder (collectively, the "**Trust Indenture Act**") and did not and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading.

The Prospectus, and any amendments or supplements thereto, as of its date, at the date hereof and at the Closing Date, complied and will comply in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act and did not, does not, and will not include an untrue statement of a material

fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

No order preventing or suspending the use of the Registration Statement or the Prospectus has been issued by the Commission, and the Base Prospectus, as originally filed or as amended, and the Prospectus, complied when so filed in all material respects with the Securities Act and the Base Prospectus and the Prospectus delivered to the Underwriter for use in connection with this offering were identical to the electronically transmitted copies thereof filed with the Commission pursuant to the Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis, and Retrieval system ("EDGAR"), except to the extent permitted by Regulation S-T.

The Time of Sale Information, at the Time of Sale, did not, and at the Closing Date, will not, include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

The representations and warranties in the preceding four paragraphs shall not apply to statements in or omissions from the Registration Statement, or any post-effective amendment thereto, the Base Prospectus, the Prospectus, or any amendments or supplements thereto, or the Time of Sale Information made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished to the Company in writing by the Underwriter expressly for use in the Registration Statement, or any post-effective amendment thereto, the Base Prospectus, or the Prospectus, or any amendments or supplements thereto or the Time of Sale Information, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by the Underwriter consists of the information described as such in Section 7(b) hereof (the "Underwriter Information").

(b) Incorporated Documents. The documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and the Time of Sale Information, when they became effective or at the time they were or hereafter are filed with the Commission, complied and will comply in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act or Exchange Act, as applicable, and, when read together with the other information in the Prospectus, (i) at the time the Registration Statement became effective, (ii) at the Registration Statement's "new effective date" with respect to the Underwriter pursuant to Rule 430B(f)(2) of the Securities Act and (iii) at the Closing Date, did not and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state 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.

(c) *Company Not Ineligible Issuer*. As of the date of the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Company was not and is not an "ineligible issuer" (as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act), without taking account of any determination by the Commission pursuant to Rule 405 of the Securities Act that it is not necessary that the Company be considered an ineligible issuer (as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act).

(d) *Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses*. Each "issuer free writing prospectus," as defined in Rule 433 of the Securities Act ("**Rule 433**"), relating to the Securities that (i) is

required to be filed with the Commission by the Company, (ii) is a "road show that is a written communication" within the meaning of Rule 433(d)(8)(i), whether or not required to be filed with the Commission or (iii) is exempt from filing pursuant to Rule 433(d)(5)(i) because it contains a description of the Securities or of the offering that does not reflect the final terms, in each case in the form filed or required to be filed with the Commission or, if not required to be filed, in the form retained in the Company's records pursuant to Rule 433(g) (an "Issuer Free Writing Prospectus"), if any, listed in Annex A hereto, as of its issue date and at all subsequent times through the completion of the public offer and sale of the Securities or until any earlier date as of which the Comflicts or will conflicts or will conflict with the information contained in the Registration Statement, including any document incorporated by reference therein that has not been superseded or modified, and, when taken together with the Base Prospectus, did not, and at the Closing Date, will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The foregoing sentence does not apply to statements in or omissions from any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus based upon and in conformity with the Underwriter Information.

(e) *Due Authorization.* The Company has full right, power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities (collectively, the "**Transaction Documents**") and to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder.

(f) *Company Authorization of Agreement*. This Agreement and the transactions contemplated herein have been duly and validly authorized by the Company and this Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by the Company.

(g) *Operating Partnership Authorization of Agreement*. This Agreement and the transactions contemplated herein have been duly and validly authorized by the Operating Partnership and this Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by the Operating Partnership.

(h) Authorization of Management Agreement and Services Agreement. The Second Amended and Restated Management Agreement (the "Management Agreement"), dated as of August 6, 2009, among the Company, the Operating Partnership, Arbor Commercial Mortgage, LLC, a New York limited liability company and the manager of the Company and the Operating Partnership (together with its affiliates, the "Manager"), and Arbor Realty SR, Inc., a Maryland corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by each of the Company and the Operating Partnership and constitutes a valid and binding agreement of each of the Company and the Operating Partnership enforceable in accordance with its terms, except to the extent that enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other laws affecting Partnership and the Manager has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by each of the Company, the Operating Partnership and the Manager has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by each of the Company and the Operating Partnership and constitutes a valid and binding agreement, dated as of July 1, 2003, among the Company, the Operating Partnership and the Manager has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by each of the Company and the Operating Partnership and constitutes a valid and binding agreement of each of the Company and the Operating Partnership and constitutes a valid and binding agreement of each of the Company and the Operating Partnership and constitutes a valid and binding agreement of each of the Company and the Operating Partnership and the Operating Partnership enforceable in accordance with its terms, except to the extent that enforcement thereof may be limited by

bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other laws affecting enforcement of creditors' rights or by general equitable principles.

(i) Distribution of Offering Material by the Company. The Company and its affiliates have not distributed and will not distribute, prior to the later of the Closing Date (as defined below) and the completion of the Underwriter's distribution of the Securities, any written offering material in connection with the offering and sale of the Securities other than the Prospectus, the Registration Statement or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus.

(j) Independent Accountants. Ernst & Young LLP, who certified the financial statements and supporting schedules incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, is an independent registered public accounting firm as required by the Securities Act, the Exchange Act and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Grant Thornton LLP, who certified the combined financial statements of the Carve-Out Agency Business of Arbor Commercial Mortgage, LLC and Subsidiaries, is an independent certified public accountant as required by the Securities Act, the Exchange Act and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

(k) Financial Statements; Non-GAAP Financial Measures. The financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries, together with the related schedules (if any) and notes, incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, and any financial statements required by Rule 3-14 of Regulation S-X (the "Acquisition Financial Statements"), incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus present fairly the financial position of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries at the dates indicated, or, if applicable, with respect to the Acquisition Financial Statements, the respective property or tenant; and all such financial statements have been prepared in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved and comply with all applicable accounting requirements under the Securities Act. The supporting schedules, if any, incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus present fairly, in accordance with GAAP, the information required to be stated therein. The selected financial data and the summary financial information included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus present fairly in all material respects the information shown therein and have been compiled on a basis consistent with that of the audited financial statements included therein. There are no financial statements or schedules required to be included in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information or the Prospectus under the Securities Act which are not so included. If applicable, the unaudited pro forma financial information (including the related notes) incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information or the Prospectus complies as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Securities Act, and management of the Company believes that the assumptions underlying the pro forma adjustments are reasonable. If applicable, such pro forma adjustments have been properly applied to the historical amounts in the compilation of the information and such information fairly presents with respect to the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries, the financial position, results of operations and other information purported to be shown therein at the respective dates and for the respective periods specified. No

pro forma financial information is required to be included in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information or the Prospectus which is not so included. All disclosures contained in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information or the Prospectus regarding "non-GAAP financial measures" (as such term is defined by the rules and regulations of the Commission) comply in all material respects with Regulation G of the Exchange Act and Item 10 of Regulation S-K of the Securities Act, to the extent applicable. The interactive data in eXtensible Business Reporting Language incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus fairly presents the information called for in all material respects and has been prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidelines applicable thereto.

(1) No Material Adverse Change in Business. Since the respective dates as of which information is given in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus (in each case exclusive of any amendments or supplements thereto subsequent to the date of this Agreement), except as otherwise stated therein, (A) there has been no material adverse change or any development involving a prospective material adverse change in the operations, condition (financial or otherwise), or in the earnings, business affairs or business prospects of the Company and its subsidiaries, including, without limitation, the Operating Partnership, considered as one enterprise, whether or not arising in the ordinary course of business (a "Material Adverse Effect"), (B) there have been no transactions entered into by the Company or any of its subsidiaries that are material with respect to the Company and its subsidiaries considered as one enterprise, (C) neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has entered into any transaction or agreement or incurred or undertaken any liabilities or obligations, direct or contingent, in each case which are material to the Company and its subsidiaries, including without limitation the Operating Partnership, considered as one enterprise, except for agreement, transactions, liabilities or obligations which are described in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, and (D) there has been no dividend or distribution of any kind declared, paid or made by the Company on any class of its stock.

(m) Good Standing of the Company and the Operating Partnership. The Company has been duly organized and is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the State of Maryland and has power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business as described in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus and to enter into and perform its obligations under this Agreement; and the Operating Partnership has been duly formed and is validly existing as a limited partnership in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware and has authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business as described in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Operating Partnership in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware and has authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business as described in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus. Each of the Company and the Operating Partnership is duly qualified as a foreign corporation to transact business and is in good standing in the State of New York and in each other jurisdiction in which such qualification is required, whether by reason of the ownership or leasing of property or the conduct of business, except (solely in the case of jurisdictions other than the State of New York) where the failure so to qualify or to be in good standing would not result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(n) *The Partnership Agreement*. The Third Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Arbor Realty Limited Partnership, dated as of July 14, 2016, among

Arbor Realty GPOP, Inc., a Delaware corporation, Arbor Realty LPOP, Inc., a Delaware corporation, the Manager and the Company, has been duly and validly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company (through its direct subsidiaries) and is a valid and binding agreement, enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except to the extent that enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other laws affecting enforcement of creditors' rights or by general equitable principles.

(0)Good Standing of Subsidiaries. Each subsidiary of the Company has been duly organized and is validly existing as a corporation, limited or general partnership or limited liability company, as the case may be, in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, has power and authority to conduct its business as described in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus and is duly qualified as a foreign corporation, limited or general partnership or limited liability company, as the case may be, to transact business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is required, whether by reason of the ownership or leasing of property or the conduct of business, except where the failure so to qualify or to be in good standing would not result in a Material Adverse Effect; except as otherwise disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, all of the issued and outstanding stock of each such subsidiary that is a corporation, all of the issued and outstanding partnership interests of each such subsidiary that is a limited or general partnership and all of the issued and outstanding limited liability company interests, membership interests or other similar interests of each such subsidiary that is a limited liability company have been duly authorized and validly issued, and, in the case of each subsidiary that is a corporation, are fully paid and nonassessable and are owned by the Company or the Operating Partnership, directly or indirectly, free and clear of any security interest, mortgage, pledge, lien, encumbrance, claim or equity (each, a "Lien"); and none of the outstanding shares of stock, partnership interests or limited liability company interests, membership interests or other similar interests of any such subsidiary was issued in violation of any preemptive rights, rights of first refusal or other similar rights of any securityholder of such subsidiary or any other person. Any subsidiaries of the Company which are "significant subsidiaries" as defined by Rule 1-02 of Regulation S-X are listed on Schedule 2 hereto and Schedule 2 accurately sets forth whether each such subsidiary is a corporation, limited or general partnership or limited liability company and the jurisdiction of organization of each such subsidiary and, in the case of any subsidiary which is a partnership or limited liability company, its general partners and managing members, respectively.

(p) *Capitalization.* As of the date hereof, there are 500,000,000 shares of the Common Stock authorized and 51,401,295 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding. As of the date hereof, there are 100,000,000 shares of the Company's preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("**Preferred Shares**"), authorized and 24,942,269 Preferred Shares issued and outstanding, 1,551,500 of which are classified as shares of the Company's 8.250% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, 1,260,000 of which are classified as shares of the Company's 7.75% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, 900,000 of which are classified as shares of the Company's 8.50% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock and 21,230,769 of which are classified as shares of the Company's Special Voting Preferred Stock. The issued and outstanding shares of stock of the Company have been duly authorized and are validly issued, fully paid and nonassesable; and none of the outstanding shares of stock

of the Company was issued in violation of any preemptive rights, rights of first refusal or other similar rights of any securityholder of the Company or any other person; the capital stock of the Company conforms in all material respects to the description thereof contained in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus. The authorized, issued and outstanding units of partnership interest in the Operating Partnership (the "**OP Units**"), have been duly authorized and validly issued; and all of such OP Units have been sold in compliance with applicable laws (including, without limitation, federal and state securities laws).

(q) Authorization of the Indenture. The Indenture has been duly authorized by the Company, is duly qualified under the Trust Indenture Act and constitutes a valid and binding agreement of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency (including, without limitation, all laws relating to fraudulent transfers), reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting enforcement of creditors' rights generally and except as enforcement thereof is subject to general principles of equity (regardless of whether enforcement is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

(r) Authorization of the Securities. The Company has all requisite corporate power and authority to execute, issue, sell and perform its obligations under the Securities. The Securities have been duly authorized and, at the Closing Date, will have been duly executed by the Company and, when authenticated, issued and delivered in the manner provided for in the Indenture and delivered against payment of the Purchase Price therefor as provided in this Agreement, will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Company entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency (including, without limitation, all laws relating to fraudulent transfers), reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting enforcement of creditors' rights generally and except as enforcement thereof is subject to general principles of equity (regardless of whether enforcement is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law), and will be in the form contemplated by, and entitled to the benefits of, the Indenture.

(s) *Authorization of the Underlying Securities.* Upon issuance and delivery of the Securities in accordance with this Agreement and the Indenture, the Securities will be convertible at the option of the holder thereof into cash, shares of the Underlying Securities or a combination thereof, in accordance the terms of the Securities and the Indenture; the Underlying Securities (assuming physical settlement and the maximum conversion rate under any "make-whole" adjustment applies) reserved for issuance upon conversion of the Securities have been duly authorized and reserved and, when issued upon conversion of the Securities in accordance with the terms of the Securities and the Indenture, will be validly issued, fully paid and non assessable, and the issuance of the Underlying Securities will not be subject to any preemptive or similar rights.

(t) Description of Securities. The Securities and Indenture conform in all material respects to the description thereof contained in the sections of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information, and the Prospectus entitled "Description of Debt Securities" and "Description of notes."

Absence of Defaults and Conflicts. Neither the Company, the Operating Partnership nor any of their respective subsidiaries is (i) in (u) violation of its Organizational Documents (as defined below) or (ii) in default, and no event has occurred that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default, in the performance or observance of any obligation, agreement, covenant or condition contained in any Company Document (as defined below), except, in the case of clause (ii) above, for such defaults that would not result in a Material Adverse Effect. The execution, delivery and performance of the Transaction Documents, the issuance of Securities and the consummation of the other transactions contemplated herein and therein and in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus (including the issuance and sale of the Securities (including the issuance of the Underlying Securities upon conversion thereof) and the use of the proceeds from the sale of the Securities as described in the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus under the caption "Use of proceeds") and compliance by each of the Company and the Operating Partnership with its obligations under the Transaction Documents do not and will not, whether with or without the giving of notice or passage of time or both, conflict with or constitute a breach of, or default under any Company Documents, or result in the creation or imposition of any Lien upon any property or assets of the Company, the Operating Partnership or any of their respective subsidiaries, nor will such action result in any violation of the provisions of the Organizational Documents of the Company, the Operating Partnership or any of their respective subsidiaries or any applicable law, statute, rule, regulation, judgment, order, writ or decree of any government, government instrumentality or court, domestic or foreign, having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any of their respective assets, properties or operations. The term "Company Documents" as used herein means any contracts, indentures, guarantees, mortgages, deeds of trust, loan or credit agreements, letter of credit facilities, security agreements, bonds, notes, debentures, evidences of indebtedness, leases or other instruments or agreements to which the Company, the Operating Partnership, the Manager or any of their respective subsidiaries is a party or by which the Company, the Operating Partnership, the Manager or any of their respective subsidiaries is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Company, the Operating Partnership, the Manager or any of their respective subsidiaries is subject. The term "Organizational Documents" as used herein means (a) in the case of a corporation, its charter and bylaws; (b) in the case of a limited or general partnership, its partnership certificate, certificate of formation or similar organizational document and its partnership agreement; (c) in the case of a limited liability company, its articles of organization, certificate of formation or similar organizational documents and its operating agreement, limited liability company agreement, membership agreement or other similar agreement; (d) in the case of a trust, its certificate of trust, certificate of formation or similar organizational document and its trust agreement or other similar agreement; and (e) in the case of any other entity, the organizational and governing documents of such entity.

(v) *Absence of Labor Dispute.* No labor dispute with the employees of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company exists or, to the knowledge of the Company, is imminent, and the Company is not aware of any existing or imminent labor disturbance by the employees of any of the principal suppliers, manufacturers, customers or contractors of the Company or any of its subsidiaries which, in any such case, may reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(w) Absence of Proceedings. Except as described in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, there is no action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation before or brought by any court or governmental agency or body, domestic or foreign, now pending, against or affecting the Company, the Operating Partnership or any of their respective subsidiaries or which has as a subject thereof, any officer or director of the Company in their capacity as such or as would otherwise be required to be disclosed in the Prospectus. To the knowledge of the Company or the Operating Partnership, there is no action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation before or brought by any court or governmental agency or body, domestic or foreign, threatened, against or affecting the Company, the Operating Partnership or any of their respective subsidiaries except as would not have a Material Adverse Effect or which has as a subject thereof, any officer or director of the Company in their capacity as such or as would otherwise be required to be disclosed in the Prospectus.

(x) Accuracy of Descriptions and Exhibits. The information in the Prospectus under the captions "Description of notes," "Description of Debt Securities," "Description of Capital Stock," "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations," and "Additional U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" is correct in all material respects; all descriptions in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus of any Company Documents are accurate in all material respects; and there are no franchises, contracts, indentures, mortgages, deeds of trust, loan or credit agreements, bonds, notes, debentures, evidences of indebtedness, leases or other instruments or agreements required to be described or referred to in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information or the Prospectus or to be filed as exhibits to the Registration Statement which have not been so described and filed as required.

(y) Possession of Intellectual Property. The Company and its subsidiaries own or possess or have the right to use on reasonable terms all patents, patent rights, patent applications, licenses, inventions, copyrights, know how (including trade secrets and other unpatented and/or unpatentable proprietary or confidential information, systems or procedures), trademarks, service marks, trade names, service names and other intellectual property (collectively, "Intellectual Property") necessary to carry on their respective businesses as described in the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus and as proposed to be conducted; and neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has received any notice or is otherwise aware of any infringement of or conflict with asserted rights of others with respect to any Intellectual Property or of any facts or circumstances which would render any Intellectual Property invalid or inadequate to protect the interests of the Company or any of its subsidiaries therein, and which infringement or conflict (if the subject of any unfavorable decision, ruling or finding) or invalidity or inadequacy, individually or in the aggregate, might result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(z) Absence of Further Requirements. (A) No filing with, or authorization, approval, consent, license, order, registration, qualification or decree of, any court or governmental authority or agency, domestic or foreign, (B) no authorization, approval, vote or other consent of any stockholder or creditor of the Company or the Operating Partnership, (C) no waiver or consent under any Company Document, and (D) no authorization, approval, vote or other consent of any other person or entity, is necessary or required for the performance by the Company or the Operating Partnership of their respective obligations under this Agreement, for the offering, issuance, sale or delivery of the Securities hereunder (including the issuance of the

Underlying Securities upon conversion thereof), or for the consummation of any of the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement, in each case on the terms contemplated by this Agreement, the Prospectus and the Indenture, except such as have been or will be obtained under the Securities Act, the rules of the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"), state securities laws or the rules of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA").

(a) Possession of Licenses and Permits. The Company, the Operating Partnership and their respective subsidiaries possess such permits, licenses, approvals, consents and other authorizations issued by the appropriate federal, state, local or foreign regulatory agencies or bodies (collectively, "Governmental Licenses") as are necessary to conduct the business now operated by them; the Company and its subsidiaries are in compliance with the terms and conditions of all such Governmental Licenses, except where the failure so to comply would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect; all of the Governmental Licenses are valid and in full force and effect, except when the invalidity of such Governmental Licenses or the failure of such Governmental Licenses to be in full force and effect would not have a Material Adverse Effect; and neither the Company, the Operating Partnership nor any of their respective subsidiaries has received any notice of proceedings relating to the revocation or modification of any such Governmental Licenses which, individually or in the aggregate, if the subject of an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding, would result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(bb) Investment Company Act. The Company is not, and upon the issuance and sale of the Securities (including the issuance of the Underlying Securities upon conversion thereof) as herein contemplated and the application of the net proceeds therefrom as described in the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, will not be, an "investment company" or an entity "controlled" by an "investment company" as such terms are defined the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Investment Company Act**"). Neither the Operating Partnership nor any of the subsidiaries of the Company is an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act.

(cc) Absence of Registration Rights. Except as disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, there are no persons with registration rights or other similar rights to have any securities (debt or equity) (A) registered pursuant to the Registration Statement or included in the offering contemplated by this Agreement or (B) otherwise registered by the Company under the Securities Act.

(dd) *Joint Ventures*. All of the joint ventures in which the Company or any subsidiary owns any interest (the "**Joint Ventures**") are listed on <u>Schedule 3</u> hereto. The Company's or subsidiary's ownership interest in such Joint Venture is set forth in <u>Schedule 3</u>.

(ee) New York Stock Exchange. The Company will use its best efforts to list the Underlying Securities on NYSE.

(ff) *FINRA Matters*. All of the information (including, but not limited to, information regarding affiliations, security ownership and trading activity) provided to the Underwriter or to counsel for the Underwriter by the Company, its officers and directors and the holders of any securities (debt or equity) or options to acquire any securities of the Company in connection with

letters, filings or other supplemental information provided to FINRA is true, complete and correct.

Insurance. The Company, the Operating Partnership and each of their respective subsidiaries are insured by insurers of recognized (gg) financial responsibility against such losses and risks and in such amounts as are prudent and customary in the businesses in which they are engaged; all policies of insurance and any fidelity or surety bonds insuring the Company, the Operating Partnership or any of their respective subsidiaries or their respective businesses, assets, employees, officers and directors are in full force and effect; the Company, the Operating Partnership and their respective subsidiaries are in compliance with the terms of such policies and instruments in all material respects; there are no claims by the Company, the Operating Partnership or any of their respective subsidiaries under any such policy or instrument as to which any insurance company is denying liability or defending under a reservation of rights clause; neither the Company, the Operating Partnership nor any such subsidiary has been refused any insurance coverage sought or applied for, and neither the Company, the Operating Partnership nor any such subsidiary has any reason to believe that it will not be able to renew its existing insurance coverage as and when such coverage expires or to obtain similar coverage from similar insurers as may be necessary to continue its business at a cost that would not have a Material Adverse Effect. Without limitation to the foregoing provisions of this Section 3(gg), and such exceptions as would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect, the Company, the Operating Partnership and their respective subsidiaries have title insurance on any real property currently leased or owned or controlled by them or to be leased or owned or to be controlled by them (collectively, the "Real Property"), in each case in an amount at least equal to the original cost of acquisition, and the Company, the Operating Partnership and their respective subsidiaries are entitled to all benefits of the insured thereunder, and each such Real Property is insured by extended coverage hazard and casualty insurance in amounts and on such terms as are customarily carried by lessors of properties similar to those owned by the Company, the Operating Partnership and their respective subsidiaries (in the markets in which the Company's and subsidiaries' respective Real Properties are located), and the Company, the Operating Partnership and their respective subsidiaries carry comprehensive general liability insurance and such other insurance as is customarily carried by lessors of properties similar to those owned by the Company, the Operating Partnership and their respective subsidiaries in amounts and on such terms as are customarily carried by lessors of properties similar to those owned by the Company, the Operating Partnership and their respective subsidiaries (in the markets in which the Company's, the Operating Partnership's and their respective subsidiaries' respective Real Properties are located) and the Company, the Operating Partnership or one of their respective subsidiaries is named as an additional insured on all policies required under the leases for such properties. With respect to mortgage loans extended by the Company and its subsidiaries, the Company or its subsidiary has one or more lender's title insurance policies insuring the lien of the mortgages encumbering the real property underlying such loans with coverages, in the aggregate, equal to at least the maximum aggregate principal amount of such loan.

(hh) Disclosure Controls and Procedures. The Company and the Operating Partnership have established and maintain disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act) that (i) are designed to ensure that material information

required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer, particularly during the preparation of the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act; and (ii) are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms.

(ii) Accounting Controls. The Company, the Operating Partnership and each of their respective subsidiaries maintain a system of internal control over financial reporting sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that financial reporting is reliable and financial statements for external purposes are prepared in accordance with GAAP and includes policies and procedures that (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and to maintain asset accountability; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences; and (v) interactive data in eXtensible Business Reporting Language included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement fairly presents the information called for in all material respects and is prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidelines applicable thereto. Except as described in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, since the end of the Company's most recent audited fiscal year, there has been (i) no material weakness in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (whether or not remediated) and (ii) no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

(jj) Absence of Manipulation. Each of the Company and the Operating Partnership has not taken and will not take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that would constitute or that might reasonably be expected to cause or result in the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.

(kk) Statistical and Market-Related Data. The statistical and market-related data included in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus are based on or derived from sources that the Company believes to be reliable and accurate as of the respective dates of such documents, and the Company has obtained the written consent to the use of such data from such sources to the extent required.

(ll) Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. Neither the Company, the Operating Partnership nor any of their respective subsidiaries, nor to the knowledge of the Company or the Operating Partnership, any director, officer, employee, agent, affiliate or other person acting on behalf of the Company, the Operating Partnership or any of their respective subsidiaries has (i) used any corporate funds for any unlawful contribution, gift, entertainment or other unlawful expense relating to political activity; (ii) made or taken an act in furtherance of an offer, promise or authorization of any direct or indirect unlawful payment or benefit to any foreign or domestic government official or

employee, including of any government-owned or controlled entity or of a public international organization, or any person acting in an official capacity for or on behalf of any of the foregoing, or any political party or party official or candidate for political office; (iii) violated or is in violation of any provision of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, or any applicable law or regulation implementing the OECD Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions, or committed an offence under the Bribery Act 2010 of the United Kingdom, or any other applicable anti-bribery or anti-corruption law; or (iv) made, offered, agreed, requested or taken an act in furtherance of any unlawful bribe or other unlawful benefit, including, without limitation, any rebate, payoff, influence payment, kickback or other unlawful or improper payment or benefit. The Company, the Operating Partnership and their respective subsidiaries have instituted, maintain and enforce, and will continue to maintain and enforce, policies and procedures designed to promote and ensure compliance with all applicable anti-bribery and anti-corruption laws.

(mm) Compliance with Anti-Money Laundering Laws. The operations of the Company and its subsidiaries are and have been conducted at all times in compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements, including those of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the applicable money laundering statutes of all jurisdictions where the Company or any of its subsidiaries conducts business, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced by any governmental agency (collectively, the "Anti-Money Laundering Laws"), and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries with respect to the Anti-Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the knowledge of the Company or the Operating Partnership, threatened.

(nn) No Conflicts with Sanctions Laws. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries, nor to the knowledge of the Company or the Operating Partnership, any directors, officers or employees, agents, affiliates or other persons acting on behalf of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is currently the subject or the target of any sanctions administered or enforced by the U.S. government, (including, without limitation, the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury ("OFAC") or the U.S. Department of State and including, without limitation, the designation as a "specially designated national" or "blocked person"), the United Nations Security Council ("UNSC"), the European Union, Her Majesty's Treasury, or other relevant sanctions authority (collectively, "Sanctions"), nor is the Company or any of its subsidiaries located, organized or resident in a country or territory that is the subject or target of Sanctions, including, without limitation, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Sudan, Syria and Crimea (each, a "Sanctioned Country"); and the Company will not directly or indirectly use the proceeds of the offering of the Securities hereunder, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such proceeds to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other person or entity (i) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business with any person that, at the time of such funding or facilitation, is the subject or target of Sanctions, (ii) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business in any Sanctioned Country or (iii) in any other manner that will result in a violation by any person (including any person participating in the transaction, whether as underwriter, advisor, investor or otherwise) of Sanctions. For the past five years, the Company and its subsidiaries have not knowingly engaged in and are not now

knowingly engaged in any dealings or transactions with any person that at the time of the dealing or transaction is or was the subject or the target of Sanctions or with any Sanctioned Country.

(oo) Lending Relationship. Except as disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has any outstanding borrowings from, or is a party to any line of credit, credit agreement or other credit facility or otherwise has a borrowing relationship with, any bank or other lending institution affiliated with the Underwriter, and the Company does not intend to use any of the proceeds from the sale of the Securities to repay any debt owed to the Underwriter or any affiliate of the Underwriter.

(pp) Transfer Taxes. There are no stock or other transfer taxes, stamp duties, capital duties or other similar duties, taxes or charges payable in connection with the execution or delivery of this Agreement by the Company or the issuance or sale by the Company of the Securities to be sold by the Company to the Underwriter hereunder.

(qq) *ERISA*. Except as set forth in the Company's financial statements, each of the Company and the Operating Partnership does not have any material liabilities under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations and published interpretations thereunder (collectively, the "**Code**").

(r) *REIT Status.* Commencing with the Company's taxable year ended December 31, 2003, and the taxable year ended December 31, 2005 of Arbor Realty SR, Inc., a Maryland real estate investment trust (the "**Private REIT**"), each of the Company and the Private REIT has been organized and operated in conformity with the requirements for qualification and taxation as a real estate investment trust ("**REIT**") under the Code, and each of the Company's and the Private REIT's current and proposed method of operations as described in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus will enable it to continue to meet the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT under the Code for its taxable year ending December 31, 2016 and thereafter. The Company does not know of any event that would cause or is likely to cause either the Company or the Private REIT to fail to qualify as a REIT under the Code at any time.

(ss) *Tax Returns*. All tax returns required to be filed as of the date hereof by the Company and each of its subsidiaries have been timely filed (or valid extensions to such filings have been obtained), all such tax returns are true, correct and complete in all material respects, and all material taxes and other assessments of a similar nature (whether imposed directly or through withholding) including any interest, additions to tax or penalties applicable thereto due or claimed to be due from such entities have been paid, other than those being contested in good faith and for which adequate reserves have been provided.

(tt) *Related-Party Transactions*. There are no business relationships or related-party transactions involving the Company, the Operating Partnership or the Manager required to be described in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus which have not been so described as required.

(uu) No Unlawful Contributions or Other Payments. Neither the Company, the Operating Partnership nor any subsidiary nor, to the best of the Company's knowledge, any employee or agent of the Company, the Operating Partnership or any subsidiary, has made any contribution or other payment to any official of, or candidate for, any federal, state or foreign office in violation of any law or of the character required to be disclosed in the Prospectus.

(vv) *Brokers and Finders*. Neither the Company, the Operating Partnership nor any subsidiary has incurred any liability for a fee, commission or other compensation on account of the employment of a broker or finder in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement other than as contemplated hereby.

(ww) No Prohibition on Subsidiaries from Paying Dividends or Making Other Distributions. No subsidiary is currently prohibited, directly or indirectly, from paying any dividends to the Company, from making any other distribution on such subsidiary's capital stock or other equity interests, from repaying to the Company any loans or advances to such subsidiary from the Company or from transferring any of such subsidiary's property or assets to the Company or any other Subsidiary.

Title to Real and Personal Property. (i) The Company and its subsidiaries, including the Operating Partnership, have (or in the case of a (xx)Joint Venture, such limited partnership, limited liability company or other joint venture entity has) good and marketable title in fee simple to, or a valid leasehold interest in, the Real Property and good and marketable title to any and all personal property owned by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries that is material to the business of the Company or the Operating Partnership, in each case free and clear of all Liens, except as described in the Prospectus or such as would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect; and any real property, buildings and equipment held under lease by the Company and its subsidiaries are held by them under valid, subsisting and enforceable leases (the "Leases") with such exceptions as are disclosed in the Prospectus or such as would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect; (ii) neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has received notice of any claim that has been or may be asserted by anyone adverse to the rights of the Company or any subsidiary with respect to any such Real Properties, personal property or Leases or affecting or questioning the rights of the Company to the continued ownership, lease, possession or occupancy of such Real Properties, personal property or Leases, except for such claims that would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; (iii) no person or entity, including, without limitation, any tenant under the leases, if any, for the Real Properties has an option or right of first refusal or any other right to purchase any of such Real Properties, except as disclosed in the Prospectus; (iv) each of the Real Properties has access to public rights of way, either directly or through insured easements, except where the failure to have such access would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect; (v) each of the Real Properties is served by all public utilities necessary for the current operations on such property in sufficient quantities for such operations, except where the failure to have such public utilities would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect; (vi) each of the Real Properties complies with all applicable codes and zoning and subdivision laws and regulations, except for such failure to comply which would not, either individually or in the aggregate, have a

Material Adverse Effect; (vii) all of the Leases are in full force and effect, except where the failure to be in full force or effect would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is in default in the payment of any amounts due under any such Leases or in any other default thereunder and neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries knows or an event which, with the passage of time or the giving of notice or both, would constitute a default under any such Lease, except such defaults that would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and (viii) there is no pending or, to the knowledge of the Company or its subsidiaries, threatened condemnation, zoning change, or other proceeding or action that would in any manner affect the size of, use of, improvements on, construction on or access to any Real Property, except such proceedings or actions that, either individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Compliance with Environmental Laws. Except as otherwise disclosed in the Registration Statement, and the Time of Sale Information and (yy)the Prospectus: (i) neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries nor, to the knowledge of the Company, any other owners of the Real Property at any time, or to the knowledge of the Company, any other party has at any time, handled, stored, treated, transported, manufactured, spilled, leaked, or discharged, dumped, transferred or otherwise disposed of or dealt with, Hazardous Materials (as hereinafter defined) on, to or from any Real Property, other than by any such action taken in material compliance with all applicable Environmental Statutes (as hereinafter defined) or by the Company, any of its subsidiaries or any other party in connection with the ordinary use of residential, retail or commercial properties owned by the Company or any subsidiary; (ii) the Company and its subsidiaries do not intend to use the Real Property or any subsequently acquired properties for the purpose of handling, storing, treating, transporting, manufacturing, spilling, leaking, discharging, dumping, transferring or otherwise disposing of or dealing with Hazardous Materials other than by any such action taken in material compliance with all applicable Environmental Statues or by the Company, any of its subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of the Company, any other party in connection with the ordinary use of residential, retail or commercial properties owned by the Company or any subsidiary; (iii) the Company and the Operating Partnership do not know of any seepage, leak, discharge, release, emission, spill, or dumping of Hazardous Materials from the Real Property into waters on or adjacent to the Real Property or from the Real Property onto any real property owned or occupied by any other party, or onto lands from which Hazardous Materials might seep, flow or drain into such waters other than in material compliance with Environmental Statutes; (iv) neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has received any notice of, or has knowledge of, any occurrence or circumstance which, with notice or passage of time or both, would give rise to a claim under or pursuant to any U.S. federal, state or local environmental statute or regulation or under common law, pertaining to Hazardous Materials on or originating from any of the Real Property or arising out of the conduct of the Company or any of its subsidiaries. including without limitation a claim under or pursuant to any Environmental Statute; and (v) neither the Real Property is included nor, to the Company's or the Operating Partnership's knowledge, is proposed for inclusion on the National Priorities List issued pursuant to CERCLA (as hereinafter defined) by United States Environmental Protection Agency or, to the Company's or to the Operating Partnership's knowledge, proposed for inclusion on any similar list or inventory issued pursuant to any other Environmental Statute or issued by any other governmental authority.

As used herein, "<u>Hazardous Materials</u>" shall include, without limitation, any flammable explosives, radioactive materials, hazardous materials, hazardous wastes, toxic substances, or related materials, asbestos or any hazardous material as defined by any U.S. federal, state or local environmental law, ordinance, rule or regulation including without limitation the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, 42 U.S.C. Sections 9601-9675 ("**CERCLA**"), the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, as amended, 49 U.S.C. Sections 1801-1819, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. Sections 6901-6992K, the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986, 42 U.S.C. Sections 11001-11050, the Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. Sections 2601-2671, the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, 7 U.S.C. Sections 136-136y, the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. Sections 7401-7642, the Clean Water Act (Federal Water Pollution Control Act), 33 U.S.C. Sections 1251-1387, the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. Sections 300f-330j-26, and the Occupational Safety and Health Act, 29 U.S.C. Sections 651-678, as any of the above statutes may be amended from time to time, and in the regulations promulgated pursuant to each of the foregoing (individually, an "**Environmental Statute**") or by any governmental authority.

(zz) *Compliance with ADA*. The Company and its subsidiaries and each Real Property are currently in compliance with all presently applicable provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, except for any such non-compliance that would not, individually or in aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(aaa) No Breach or Default under Loans. To the Company's knowledge, there is no breach of, or default under (nor has any event occurred which with notice, lapse of time, or both would constitute a breach of, or default under) the loan documents relating to the debt instruments acquired or originated by the Company (collectively, the "Loans") which breach or default, if uncured, would result in a Material Adverse Effect. To the Company's knowledge without due inquiry, there is no breach or default under (nor has any event occurred which with notice, lapse of time, or both would constitute a breach of, or default under (nor has any event occurred which with notice, lapse of time, or both would constitute a breach of, or default under) the loan documents relating to any loans senior to the Loans, which breach or default, if uncured, would result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(bbb) *Compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley Act.* There is and has been no failure on the part of the Company or any of the Company's directors or officers, in their capacities as such, to comply with any provision of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the rules and regulations promulgated in connection therewith, including Section 402 related to loans and Sections 302 and 906 related to certifications.

(ccc) *No Ratings*. There are no securities or preferred stock of or guaranteed by the Company or any of its subsidiaries that are rated by a "nationally recognized statistical rating organization," as such term is defined under Section 3(a)(62) under the Exchange Act.

4. <u>Further Agreements of the Company and the Operating Partnership</u>. Each of the Company and the Operating Partnership, jointly and severally, covenant and agree with the Underwriter that:

(a) *Required Filings.* The Company will file the final Prospectus with the Commission within the time periods specified by Rule 424(b) and Rule 430A, 430B or 430C under the Securities Act, will file any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus to the extent required by Rule 433 under the Securities Act; and will file promptly all reports and any definitive proxy or information statements required to be filed by the Company with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the date of the Prospectus and for so long as the delivery of a prospectus is required in connection with the offering or sale of the Securities; and the Company will furnish copies of the Prospectus and any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus (to the extent not previously delivered) to the Underwriter in New York City prior to 10:00 A.M., New York City time, on the business day next succeeding the date of this Agreement in such quantities as the Underwriter may reasonably request.

(b) Delivery of Copies. The Company will deliver, without charge, (i) to the Underwriter, one signed copy of the Registration Statement as originally filed and each amendment thereto, in each case including all exhibits and consents filed therewith and documents incorporated by reference therein; and (ii) to the Underwriter (A) a conformed copy of the Registration Statement as originally filed and each amendment thereto (without exhibits) and (B) during the Prospectus Delivery Period (as defined below), as many copies of the Prospectus (including all amendments and supplements thereto and documents incorporated by reference therein), in the case of (i) and (ii)(A), only to the extent such documents are not publicly available on EDGAR, and any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus as the Underwriter may reasonably request. As used herein, the term "Prospectus Delivery Period" means such period of time after the first date of the public offering of the Securities as in the opinion of counsel for the Underwriter a prospectus relating to the Securities is required by law to be delivered to be delivered but for Rule 172 under the Securities Act) in connection with sales of the Securities by the Underwriter or dealer.

(c) Amendments or Supplements, Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses. Before making, preparing, using, authorizing, approving, referring to or filing any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, and before filing any amendment or supplement to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, whether before or after the time that the Registration Statement becomes effective, the Company will furnish to the Underwriter and counsel for the Underwriter a copy of the proposed Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, amendment or supplement for review and will not make, prepare, use, authorize, approve, refer to or file any such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or file any such proposed amendment or supplement to which the Underwriter reasonably objects.

(d) Notice to the Underwriter. Prior to the later of (x) the Closing Date or (y) the expiration of the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company will advise the Underwriter promptly, and confirm such advice in writing, (i) when any amendment to the Registration Statement has been filed or becomes effective; (ii) when any supplement to the Prospectus or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or any amendment to the Prospectus has been filed; (iii) of any request by the Commission for any amendment to the Registration Statement or any amendment or supplement to the Prospectus or the receipt of any comments from the Commission relating to the Registration Statement or any other request by the Commission for any additional information; (iv) of the issuance by the Commission or any other governmental or regulatory

authority of any order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or preventing or suspending the use of any of the Time of Sale Information or the Prospectus or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for that purpose or pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act; (v) of the occurrence of any event or development within the Prospectus Delivery Period as a result of which the Prospectus, the Time of Sale Information or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Prospectus, the Time of Sale Information or any such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading; and (vi) of the receipt by the Company of any notice with respect to any suspension of the qualification of the Securities for offer and sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose; and the Company will use its reasonable best efforts to prevent the issuance of any such order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, preventing or suspending the use of any of the Time of Sale Information or the Prospectus or suspending any such qualification of the Securities and, if any such order is issued, will obtain as soon as possible the withdrawal thereof.

Ongoing Compliance. (1) If during the Prospectus Delivery Period (i) any event or development shall occur or condition shall exist as a (e) result of which the Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Prospectus is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading or (ii) it is necessary to amend or supplement the Prospectus to comply with law, the Company will immediately notify the Underwriter thereof and forthwith prepare and, subject to paragraph (c) above, file with the Commission and furnish to the Underwriter and to such dealers as the Underwriter may designate, such amendments or supplements to the Prospectus (or any document to be filed with the Commission and incorporated by reference therein) as may be necessary so that the statements in the Prospectus as so amended or supplemented (or any document to be filed with the Commission and incorporated by reference therein) will not, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Prospectus is delivered to a purchaser, be misleading or so that the Prospectus will comply with law and (2) if at any time prior to the Closing Date (i) any event or development shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which the Time of Sale Information as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Time of Sale Information is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading or (ii) it is necessary to amend or supplement the Time of Sale Information to comply with law, the Company will immediately notify the Underwriter thereof and forthwith prepare and, subject to paragraph (c) above, file with the Commission (to the extent required) and furnish to the Underwriter and to such dealers as the Underwriter may designate, such amendments or supplements to the Time of Sale Information (or any document to be filed with the Commission and incorporated by reference therein) as may be necessary so that the statements in the Time of Sale Information as so amended or supplemented will not, in the light of the circumstances, be misleading or so that the Time of Sale Information will comply with law.

(f) Blue Sky Compliance. The Company will qualify the Securities for offer and sale under the securities or Blue Sky laws of such jurisdictions as the Underwriter shall reasonably request and will continue such qualifications in effect so long as required for distribution of the Securities; provided that the Company shall not be required to (i) qualify as a foreign corporation or other entity or as a dealer in securities in any such jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to so qualify, (ii) file any general consent to service of process in any such jurisdiction or (iii) subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction if it is not otherwise so subject.

(g) *Earning Statement*. The Company will make generally available to its security holders and the Underwriter as soon as practicable an earning statement that satisfies the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and Rule 158 of the Commission promulgated thereunder covering a period of at least twelve months beginning with the first fiscal quarter of the Company occurring after the "effective date" (as defined in Rule 158) of the Registration Statement.

(h) Use of Proceeds. The Company will apply the net proceeds from the sale of the Securities as described in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus under the heading "Use of proceeds".

(i) *No Stabilization.* Neither the Company nor the Operating Partnership will take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that could reasonably be expected to cause or result in any stabilization or manipulation of the price of the Securities and will not take any action prohibited by Regulation M under the Exchange Act in connection with the distribution of the Securities contemplated hereby.

(j) Underlying Securities. The Company will reserve and keep available at all times, free of pre-emptive rights, shares of Common Stock for the purpose of enabling the Company to satisfy all obligations to issue the Underlying Securities upon conversion of the Securities (assuming physical settlement and the maximum conversion rate under any "make-whole" adjustment applies). The Company will use its best efforts to cause the Underlying Securities to be listed on NYSE.

(k) Qualification and Taxation as a REIT. The Company will use its best efforts to meet the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT under the Code for its taxable year ending December 31, 2016, and the Company will use its best efforts to continue to qualify for taxation as a REIT under the Code unless the Company's Board of Directors determines in good faith that it is no longer in the best interest of the Company and its stockholders to be so qualified.

(1) Investment Company. The Company is familiar with the Investment Company Act and the rules and regulations thereunder, and will in the future conduct its and the Operating Partnership's affairs, in such a manner and will use its commercially reasonable best efforts to ensure that the Company and the Operating Partnership will not be an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act and the rules and regulations thereunder.

(m) DTC. The Company will assist the Underwriter in arranging for the Securities to be eligible for clearance and settlement through DTC.

5. <u>Certain Agreements of the Underwriter</u>. The Underwriter hereby represents and agrees that:

(a) It has not and will not use, authorize use of, refer to, or participate in the planning for use of, any "free writing prospectus", as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act (which term includes use of any written information furnished to the Commission by the Company and not incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement and any press release issued by the Company) other than (i) a free writing prospectus that contains no "issuer information" (as defined in Rule 433(h)(2) under the Securities Act) that was not included (including through incorporation by reference) in the Base Prospectus or a previously filed Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, (ii) any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus listed on Annex A or prepared pursuant to Section 3(c) or Section 4(c) above (including any electronic road show), or (iii) any free writing prospectus prepared by the Underwriter and approved by the Company in advance in writing.

(b) It has not and will not, without the prior written consent of the Company, use any free writing prospectus that contains the final terms of the Securities unless such terms have previously been included in a free writing prospectus filed with the Commission.

(c) It is not subject to any pending proceeding under Section 8A of the Securities Act with respect to the offering (and will promptly notify the Company if any such proceeding against it is initiated during the Prospectus Delivery Period).

6. <u>Conditions of Underwriter's Obligations.</u> The obligation of the Underwriter to purchase the Securities on the Closing Date as provided herein is subject to the performance by the Company and the Operating Partnership of their respective covenants and other obligations hereunder and to the following additional conditions:

(a) *Registration Compliance; No Stop Order.* No order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement shall be in effect and no proceeding for such purpose pursuant to Section 8A under the Securities Act shall be pending before or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened by the Commission; the Prospectus and each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus shall have been timely filed with the Commission under the Securities Act (in the case of an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, to the extent required by Rule 433 under the Securities Act) and in accordance with Section 4(a) hereof; and all requests by the Commission for additional information shall have been complied with to the reasonable satisfaction of the Underwriter.

(b) *Representations and Warranties.* The representations and warranties of the Company and the Operating Partnership contained herein shall be true and correct on the date hereof and on and as of the Closing Date; and the statements of the Company and its officers made in any certificates delivered pursuant to this Agreement shall be true and correct on and as of the Closing Date.

(c) No Downgrade. Subsequent to the earlier of (A) the Time of Sale and (B) the execution and delivery of this Agreement, (i) no downgrading shall have occurred in the rating

accorded any securities or preferred stock issued or guaranteed by the Company or any of its subsidiaries by any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization", as such term is defined under Section 3(a)(62) under the Exchange Act and (ii) no such organization shall have publicly announced that it has under surveillance or review, or has changed its outlook with respect to, its rating of any such securities or preferred stock issued or guaranteed by the Company or any of its subsidiaries (other than an announcement with positive implications of a possible upgrading).

(d) *No Material Adverse Change.* No event or condition of a type described in Section 3(1) hereof shall have occurred or shall exist, which event or condition is not described in the Time of Sale Information (excluding any amendment or supplement thereto) and the Prospectus (excluding any amendment or supplement thereto) and the effect of which in the judgment of the Underwriter makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the offering, sale or delivery of the Securities on the Closing Date on the terms and in the manner contemplated by this Agreement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus.

(e) Officer's Certificate. The Underwriter shall have received on and as of the Closing Date a certificate of the chief financial officer or chief accounting officer of the Company and the Operating Partnership and one additional senior executive officer of the Company and the Operating Partnership who is satisfactory to the Underwriter (i) confirming that such officers have carefully reviewed the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus and, to the knowledge of such officers, the representations set forth in Sections 3(a), 3(c) and 3(d) hereof are true and correct, (ii) confirming that the other representations and warranties of the Company and the Operating Partnership in this Agreement are true and correct and that the Company and the Operating Partnership in this Agreement are true and correct and that the Company and the Operating Date and (iii) to the effect set forth in paragraphs (a), (c) and (d) above.

(f) *CFO Certificate.* On the date of this Agreement and on the Closing Date, the Company shall have furnished to the Underwriter a certificate, dated the respective dates of delivery thereof and addressed to the Underwriter, of the chief financial officer of the Company and the Operating Partnership with respect to certain financial data contained in the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, providing "management comfort" with respect to such information, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Underwriter.

(g) *Tax Certificates.* The Underwriter shall have received on and as of the Closing Date a certificate of the chief financial officer or chief accounting officer of each of the Company and the Operating Partnership and one additional senior executive officer of each of the Company and the Operating Partnership who is satisfactory to the Underwriter with respect to certain tax matters, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Underwriter. Where representations in such officer's certificate involve terms defined in the Code, the Treasury regulations thereunder, published rulings of the Internal Revenue Service or other relevant authority, the Company's representatives are satisfied after their discussions with their counsel in their understanding of such terms and are capable of making such representations.

(h) *No Legal Impediment to Issuance.* No action shall have been taken and no statute, rule, regulation or order shall have been enacted, adopted or issued by any federal, state or

foreign governmental or regulatory authority that would, as of the Closing Date, prevent the issuance or sale of the Securities; and no injunction or order of any federal, state or foreign court shall have been issued that would, as of the Closing Date, prevent the issuance or sale of the Securities.

(i) *Good Standing*. The Underwriter shall have received on and as of the Closing Date satisfactory evidence of the good standing of the Company and its subsidiaries in their respective jurisdictions of organization and their good standing in such other jurisdictions as the Underwriter may reasonably request, in each case in writing or any standard form of telecommunication from the appropriate governmental authorities of such jurisdictions.

- (j) *Exchange Listing*. An application for the listing of the Securities shall have been submitted to NYSE.
- (k) DTC. The Securities shall be eligible for clearance and settlement through DTC.

(1) *Additional Documents*. On or prior to the Closing Date, the Company and the Operating Partnership shall have furnished to the Underwriter such further certificates and documents as the Underwriter may reasonably request.

All opinions, letters, certificates and evidence mentioned above or elsewhere in this Agreement shall be deemed to be in compliance with the provisions hereof only if they are in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to counsel for the Underwriter.

7. <u>Indemnification and Contribution</u>.

(a) Indemnification of the Underwriter. Each of the Company and the Operating Partnership, jointly and severally, agree to indemnify and hold hamless the Underwriter, its affiliates, directors and officers and each person, if any, who controls the Underwriter within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages and liabilities (including, without limitation, legal fees and other expenses incurred in connection with any suit, action or proceeding or any claim asserted, as such fees and expenses are incurred), joint or several, that arise out of, or are based upon, (i) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement or caused by any omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, not misleading, (ii) or any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any "issuer information" filed or required to be filed pursuant to Rule 433(d), any "road show" as defined in Rule 433(h) under the Securities Act (a "**road show**") or any Time of Sale Information (including any Time of Sale Information that has subsequently been amended), or caused by any omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, in each case except insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with any information relating to the Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by the Underwriter expressly for use therein, it being understood and agreed

that the only such information furnished by the Underwriter consists of the information described as such in subsection (b) below.

(b) Indemnification of the Company. The Underwriter agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, its directors, its officers who signed the Registration Statement, the Operating Partnership and each person, if any, who controls the Company and the Operating Partnership within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act to the same extent as the indemnity set forth in paragraph (a) above, but only with respect to any losses, claims, damages or liabilities that arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with any information relating to the Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by the Underwriter expressly for use in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any road show or any Time of Sale Information (including any Time of Sale Information that has subsequently been amended), it being understood and agreed upon that the only such information furnished by the Underwriter consists of the following information in the Prospectus: the information contained in the seventh paragraph of text under the caption "Underwriting," the first two sentences of the second paragraph under the caption "Underwriting — Additional issue of notes," and the first sentence of the first paragraph under the caption "Underwriting — Price stabilization and short positions; repurchase of common stock."

Notice and Procedures. If any suit, action, proceeding (including any governmental or regulatory investigation), claim or demand shall be (c) brought or asserted against any person in respect of which indemnification may be sought pursuant to either paragraph (a) or (b) above, such person (the "Indemnified Person") shall promptly notify the person against whom such indemnification may be sought (the "Indemnifying Person") in writing; provided that the failure to notify the Indemnifying Person shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have under paragraph (a) or (b) above except to the extent that it has been materially prejudiced (through the forfeiture of substantive rights or defenses) by such failure; and provided, further, that the failure to notify the Indemnifying Person shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have to an Indemnified Person otherwise than under paragraph (a) or (b) above. If any such proceeding shall be brought or asserted against an Indemnified Person and it shall have notified the Indemnifying Person thereof, the Indemnifying Person shall retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person (who shall not, without the consent of the Indemnified Person, be counsel to the Indemnifying Person) to represent the Indemnified Person and any others entitled to indemnification pursuant to this Section that the Indemnifying Person may designate in such proceeding and shall pay the fees and expenses in such proceeding and shall pay the fees and expenses of such counsel related to such proceeding, as incurred. In any such proceeding, any Indemnified Person 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 Person unless (i) the Indemnifying Person and the Indemnified Person shall have mutually agreed to the contrary; (ii) the Indemnifying Person has failed within a reasonable time to retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person; (iii) the Indemnified Person shall have reasonably concluded that there may be legal defenses available to it that are different from or in addition to those available to the Indemnifying Person; or (iv) the named parties in any such proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both the Indemnifying Person and the Indemnified Person and

representation of both parties by the same counsel would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interests between them. It is understood and agreed that the Indemnifying Person shall not, in connection with any proceeding or related proceeding in the same jurisdiction, be liable for the fees and expenses of more than one separate firm (in addition to any local counsel) for all Indemnified Persons, and that all such fees and expenses shall be paid or reimbursed as they are incurred. Any such separate firm for the Underwriter, its affiliates, directors and officers and any control persons of the Underwriter shall be designated in writing by the Underwriter and any such separate firm for the Company, its directors, its officers who signed the Registration Statement and any control persons of the Company shall be designated in writing by the Company. The Indemnifying Person shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent, but if settled with such consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff, the Indemnifying Person agrees to indemnify each Indemnified Person from and against any loss or liability by reason of such settlement or judgment. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, if at any time an Indemnified Person shall have requested that an Indemnifying Person reimburse the Indemnified Person for fees and expenses of counsel as contemplated by this paragraph, the Indemnifying Person shall be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent if (i) such settlement is entered into more than 30 days after receipt by the Indemnifying Person of such request and (ii) the Indemnifying Person shall not have reimbursed the Indemnified Person in accordance with such request prior to the date of such settlement. No Indemnifying Person shall, without the written consent of the Indemnified Person, effect any settlement of any pending or threatened proceeding in respect of which any Indemnified Person is or could have been a party and indemnification could have been sought hereunder by such Indemnified Person, unless such settlement (x) includes an unconditional release of such Indemnified Person, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to such Indemnified Person, from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such proceeding and (y) does not include any statement as to or any admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act by or on behalf of any Indemnified Person.

(d) Contribution. If the indemnification provided for in paragraphs (a) and (b) above is unavailable to an Indemnified Person or insufficient in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to therein, then each Indemnifying Person under such paragraph, in lieu of indemnifying such Indemnified Person thereunder, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such Indemnified Person as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company and the Operating Partnership, on the one hand, and the Underwriter, on the other, from the offering of the Securities or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) but also the relative fault of the Company and the Operating Partnership, on the other, in connection with the statements or omissions that resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative proportions as the net proceeds (before deducting Partnership, on the one hand, and the Underwriter, on the other, shall be deemed to be in the same respective proportions as the net proceeds (before deducting expenses) received by the Company and the Operating Partnership from the sale of the Securities and the total underwriting discounts and commissions received by the Underwriter in connection therewith, in each case as set forth in the table on the cover of the Prospectus, bear to the aggregate offering price of the Securities. The relative fault for the aggregate offering price of the Securities. The relative fault for the aggregate offering price of the Securities.

of the Company and the Operating Partnership, on the one hand, and the Underwriter, 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 the Company, the Operating Partnership or by the Underwriter and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission.

(e) Limitation on Liability. The Company, the Operating Partnership and the Underwriter agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 7 were determined by <u>pro rata</u> allocation or by any other method of allocation that does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in paragraph (d) above. The amount paid or payable by an Indemnified Person as a result of the losses, claims, damages and liabilities referred to in paragraph (d) above shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth above, any legal or other expenses incurred by such Indemnified Person in connection with any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 7, in no event shall the Underwriter be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount of any damages that the Underwriter 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.

(f) *Non-Exclusive Remedies.* The remedies provided for in this Section 7 are not exclusive and shall not limit any rights or remedies which may otherwise be available to any Indemnified Person at law or in equity.

8. <u>Effectiveness of Agreement</u>. This Agreement shall become effective as of the date first written above.

9. Termination. This Agreement may be terminated in the absolute discretion of the Underwriter, by notice to the Company, if after the execution and delivery of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Date (i) trading generally shall have been suspended or materially limited on or by any of NYSE or The NASDAQ Stock Market; (ii) trading of any securities issued or guaranteed by the Company shall have been suspended on any exchange or in any over-the-counter market; (iii) a general moratorium on commercial banking activities shall have been declared by federal or New York State authorities; or (iv) there shall have occurred any outbreak or escalation of hostilities or any change in financial markets or any calamity or crisis, either within or outside the United States, that, in the judgment of the Underwriter, is material and adverse and makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the offering, sale or delivery of the Securities on the Closing Date on the terms and in the manner contemplated by this Agreement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus.

10. <u>Payment of Expenses</u>.

(a) Whether or not the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are consummated or this Agreement is terminated, the Company will pay or cause to be paid all costs and expenses incident to the performance of its obligations hereunder, including without limitation, (i) the costs incident to the authorization, issuance, sale, preparation and delivery of the Securities and any taxes payable in that connection; (ii) the costs incident to the preparation, printing and filing under the Securities Act of the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus (including all exhibits, amendments and supplements thereto) and the distribution thereof; (iii) the costs of reproducing and distributing each of the Transaction Documents; (iv) the fees and expenses of the Company's counsel and independent accountants; (v) the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the registration or qualification and determination of eligibility for investment of the Securities under the laws of such jurisdictions as the Underwriter may designate and the preparation, printing and distribution of a Blue Sky Memorandum (including the related fees and expenses of counsel for the Underwriter); (vi) any fees charged by rating agencies for rating the Securities; (vii) the fees and expenses of the Securities for book-entry transfer by DTC; (ix) all expenses incurred by the Company in connection with any "road show" presentation to potential investors; and (x) all expenses and application fees related to the listing of the Underlying Securities on NYSE.

(b) If (i) this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 9, (ii) the Company for any reason fails to tender the Securities for delivery to the Underwriter or (iii) the Underwriter declines to purchase the Securities for any reason permitted under this Agreement, the Company agrees to reimburse the Underwriter for all out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including the fees and expenses of their counsel) reasonably incurred by the Underwriter in connection with this Agreement and the offering contemplated hereby.

11. <u>Persons Entitled to Benefit of Agreement</u>. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and the officers and directors and any controlling persons referred to herein, and the affiliates of the Underwriter referred to in Section 7 hereof. Nothing in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed to give any other person any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or in respect of this Agreement or any provision contained herein. No purchaser of Securities from the Underwriter shall be deemed to be a successor merely by reason of such purchase.

12. <u>Survival</u>. The respective indemnities, rights of contribution, representations, warranties and agreements of the Company, the Operating Partnership and the Underwriter contained in this Agreement or made by or on behalf of the Company, the Operating Partnership or the Underwriter pursuant to this Agreement or any certificate delivered pursuant hereto shall survive the delivery of and payment for the Securities and shall remain in full force and effect, regardless of any termination of this Agreement or any investigation made by or on behalf of the Company, the Operating Partnership or the Underwriter.

13. <u>Certain Defined Terms</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, (a) except where otherwise expressly provided, the term "**affiliate**" has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act; (b) the term "**business day**" means any day other than a day on which banks are permitted or

required to be closed in New York City; (c) the term "**subsidiary**" has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act; and (d) the term "**significant subsidiary**" has the meaning set forth in Rule 1-02 of Regulation S-X under the Exchange Act.

14. <u>Compliance with USA Patriot Act</u>. In accordance with the requirements of the USA Patriot Act, the Underwriter is required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies its clients, including the Company, which information may include the name and address of its clients, as well as other information that will allow the Underwriter to properly identify its clients.

15. <u>Miscellaneous</u>.

(a) *Notices.* All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if mailed or transmitted and confirmed by any standard form of telecommunication. Notices to the Underwriter shall be given to JMP Securities LLC, 600 Montgomery Street, Suite 1100, San Francisco, California 94111, Facsimile: (415) 835-8920, Attention: Equity Securities. Notices to the Company and the Operating Partnership shall be given to it at Arbor Realty Trust, Inc. c/o Arbor Realty Trust, Inc., 333 Earle Ovington Boulevard, Suite 900, Uniondale, New York 11553, Attention: Paul Elenio, Chief Financial Officer, with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, Four Times Square, New York, New York 10036, Attention: David J. Goldschmidt.

(b) *Governing Law.* This Agreement and any claim, controversy or dispute arising under or related to this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

(c) *Waiver of Jury Trial*. Each of the parties hereto hereby waives any right to trial by jury in any suit or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement.

(d) *Counterparts.* This Agreement may be signed in counterparts (which may include counterparts delivered by any standard form of telecommunication), each of which shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

(e) *Amendments or Waivers.* No amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement, nor any consent or approval to any departure therefrom, shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be in writing and signed by the parties hereto.

(f) *Headings*. The headings herein are included for convenience of reference only and are not intended to be part of, or to affect the meaning or interpretation of, this Agreement.

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding, please indicate your acceptance of this Agreement by signing in the space provided below.

Very truly yours,

ARBOR REALTY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ Paul Elenio

Name:	Paul Elenio
Title:	Chief Financial Officer

ARBOR REALTY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: Arbor Realty GPOP, Inc., its General Partner

 By:
 /s/ Paul Elenio

 Name:
 Paul Elenio

 Title:
 Executive Vice President

Accepted: As of the date first written above:

JMP SECURITIES LLC

By:	/s/ Thomas Kilian
Name:	Thomas Kilian
Title:	Managing Director

Schedule 1

Principal Amount
<u>\$ 13,750,000</u>
\$ 13,750,000

Schedule 2

Significant Subsidiaries

Name	Jurisdiction of Organization	Type of Entity				
Arbor Realty GPOP, Inc.	Delaware	Corporation				
Arbor Realty Limited Partnership	Delaware	Limited Partnership (general partner is Arbor Realty GPOP, Inc.)				
Arbor Realty SR, Inc.	Maryland	Corporation				
Arbor Realty Commercial Real Estate Notes 2015- FL2, Ltd.	Cayman Islands	Exempted Company with Limited Liability				
Arbor Realty Commercial Real Estate Notes 2015- FL1, Ltd.	Cayman Islands	Exempted Company with Limited Liability				
Arbor Realty Commercial Real Estate Notes 2016- FL1, Ltd.	Cayman Islands	Exempted Company with Limited Liability				
ARSR Alpine LLC	Delaware	Corporation				

Schedule 3

Joint Ventures

Name	Percentage Ownership	Jurisdiction of Organization	Type of Entity
Richland Terrace Apartments, LLC	25.00%	South Carolina	Limited Liability Company
ABT ESI, LLC	23.75%	Delaware	Limited Liability Company
420 Fifth Associates, LLC	80.00%	Delaware	Limited Liability Company
Legacy Equity Investment Group LLC	51.33%	Delaware	Limited Liability Company
Arbor Realty Holdings LLC	100.00%	Delaware	Limited Liability Company
PE 25 LLC	42.00%	Delaware	Limited Liability Company
Lexford Pools 1/3 LLC	49.00%	Delaware	Limited Liability Company
AR Prime	66.67%	Delaware	Limited Liability Company
JT Prime	50.00%	Delaware	Limited Liability Company
WSC Investors, LLC	49.74%	Delaware	Limited Liability Company
Empirian at Inverness, LLC	0.10%	Delaware	Limited Liability Company
Empirian Highlands, LP	0.10%	Tennessee	Limited Partnership
Empirian Wildewood LLC	0.10%	Georgia	Limited Liability Company
Empirian at Park Row LLLP	1.00%	Delaware	Limited Liability Limited Partnership
ARSR East River Portfolio Holdings LLC	5.00%	Delaware	Limited Liability Company

Annex A

Free Writing Prospectuses Included in Time of Sale Information

None.

	Annex B
	Pricing Terms
Issuer:	Arbor Realty Trust, Inc.
Ticker / Exchange for common stock:	ABR / New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE")
Title of securities:	6.50% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019
Aggregate principal amount offered:	\$13,750,000 aggregate principal amount of notes
Maturity date:	October 1, 2019, unless earlier purchased or converted
Price to public:	100% of principal amount plus accrued interest from October 5, 2016
Interest:	6.50% per annum, accruing from the Closing Date
Interest payment dates:	April 1 and October 1, beginning April 1, 2017
Interest payment record dates:	March 15 and September 15 of each year
Last reported sale price:	\$7.48 per share of the Issuer's common stock on the NYSE on January 19, 2017
Conversion premium:	Approximately 12.03% over the Last Reported Sale Price
Initial conversion price:	Approximately \$8.38 per share of common stock
Initial conversion rate:	119.3033 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of the notes
Aggregate underwriting discount:	\$275,000
Adjustment to conversion rate upon conversion upon a make-whole fundamental change	If and only to the extent a holder elects to convert its notes in connection with a make- whole fundamental change (as defined under "Description of notes—Conversion rights—Increase in conversion rate upon conversion upon a make-whole fundamental change" in the prospectus supplement), the Issuer will, under certain circumstances, increase the conversion rate by a number of additional shares of common stock. The following table sets forth the number of additional shares to be added to the conversion rate per \$1,000 principal amount of notes in connection with a make- whole fundamental change, as the case may be:

				S	tock Price			
Effective Date	\$ 7.62	\$ 8.38	\$ 8.50	\$	9.00	\$ 9.50	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.50
October 5, 2016	11.9302	10.7420	9.6378		5.6480	2.6822	0.7305	0.0000
October 1, 2017	11.9302	9.4522	8.3980		4.6887	2.0685	0.4467	0.0000
October 1, 2018	11.9302	7.1312	6.1376		2.8043	0.7401	0.0000	0.0000
October 1, 2019	11.9302	0.0000	0.0000		0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

The exact stock prices and effective dates may not be set forth in the table above, in which case:

- If the stock price is between two stock prices in the table or the effective date is between two effective dates in the table, the number of additional shares by which the conversion rate will be increased will be determined by a straight-line interpolation between the number of additional shares set forth for the higher and lower stock prices and the earlier and later effective dates, as applicable, based on a 365-day year.
- If the stock price is greater than \$10.50 per share (subject to adjustment in the same manner as the stock prices set forth in the column headings of the table above), no additional shares will be added to the conversion rate.
- If the stock price is less than \$7.62 per share (subject to adjustment in the same manner as the stock prices set forth in the column headings of the table above), no additional shares will be added to the conversion rate.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event will the conversion rate per \$1,000 principal amount of notes exceed 131.2335 shares of common stock, subject to adjustment in the same manner as the conversion rate as set forth under "Description of notes—Conversion rights—Conversion rate adjustments" in the prospectus supplement.

Use of proceeds:	The Issuer estimates that the net proceeds of this offering will be approximately \$13.4 million, after deducting the underwriter's discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by the Issuer.
	The Issuer intends to use the net proceeds of this offering to make investments relating to its business and for general corporate purposes. Pending application of the net proceeds as described above, the Issuer intends to invest the proceeds in interest-bearing accounts and short-term interest-bearing securities that are consistent with the Issuer's qualification as a REIT.
Pricing date:	January 19, 2017
Closing date:	January 27, 2017
Sole book-running manager:	JMP Securities LLC
CUSIP / ISIN:	038923 AA6 / US038923AA69
No listing:	The Notes will not be listed on any securities exchange.