



**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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ADVISORY

This *Management's Discussion and Analysis* ("MD&A") presents an analysis of the financial condition of Charter Real Estate Investment Trust ("Charter" or the "REIT") for the three months ended March 31, 2010. The MD&A should be read in conjunction with the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes of the REIT for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and the audited consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes of the REIT for the year ended December 31, 2009. Historical results, including trends which might appear, should not be taken as indicative of future operations or results.

Additional information relating to the REIT, including the REIT's interim and annual financial statements and MD&As can be found on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

This MD&A and other public announcements by the REIT may contain information that to the extent they are not historical fact, may constitute "forward-looking information" within the meaning of applicable securities legislation. Forward-looking information involves significant known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Important assumptions relating to the forward-looking information contained in this MD&A include expansion, capital expenditures, competitive conditions, gross economic conditions and current levels of distributions. Forward-looking information includes information concerning the REIT's future financial performance, business strategy, plans, goals, and objectives. Forward-looking information generally can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "may", "would", "could", "will", "likely", "expect", "anticipate", "believe", "intend", "plan", "forecast", "project", "estimate", "outlook", "aim" and other similar expressions suggesting future outcomes or events. Such forward-looking statements reflect management's current beliefs and are based on information currently available to management.

These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements, and accordingly, no undue reliance should be placed on any such forward-looking statements. Those risks and uncertainties include, among other things: the ability of the REIT to successfully implement its strategic initiatives and whether such strategic initiatives will yield the expected benefits; risks associated with the current economic conditions; real property ownership, including occupancy rates; competitive conditions in the business in which the REIT participates; the outcome of pending legal proceedings, if any exist; general economic conditions and normal business uncertainty; interest rate fluctuations and other changes in borrowing and borrowing costs; environmental matters; reliance on external sources of capital; and changes to the laws, rules, and regulations applicable to the REIT or the markets in which the REIT operates. Additional information about these risks and uncertainties and any corresponding plan to mitigate these risks, where possible, is contained in the REIT's filings with securities regulators, including the REIT's Annual Information Form dated April 12, 2010 which is available on www.sedar.com.

Although the forward-looking information contained in this MD&A is based upon what management believes are reasonable assumptions, there can be no assurance that actual results will be consistent with this forward-looking information. The REIT intends the forward-looking information to speak only as of the first time made and does not undertake to update or revise it whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law.

This MD&A is dated May 4, 2010 and presents material information up to this date, unless otherwise noted.

OVERVIEW AND BUSINESS STRATEGY

The REIT, which trades on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol CRH.UN, is focused on acquiring and managing a portfolio of retail and mixed-use retail community and neighbourhood centres, generally in the mid-market deal size range of \$10 to \$40 million, from both primary and secondary markets throughout Canada. The REIT currently owns ten retail properties located in Ontario and Quebec.

Management is of the view that retail centres are attractive investments because they offer stable cash flow where the majority of rents are derived from national and regional retailers with multi-year leases, as is the case with Charter's portfolio. These centres typically provide growth opportunities through the lease-up of vacant space, the upward trend in rental rates through contractual escalations and through management's active re-merchandising and re-development of the properties. The REIT looks to create a base of retail assets that provide both a reliable, stable cash flow and an opportunity for yield growth through re-leasing, re-development and/or development of assets. Charter's goal is to own "institutional-grade" properties or properties with the potential to become "institutional-grade" through re-merchandising and re-development activities.

By focusing on secondary markets, management believes that there are opportunities to obtain well-tenanted centres with strong national and regional retailers at attractive capitalization rates. Charter is building a portfolio of high quality secondary market real estate assets as well as high-yielding, opportunistic primary market real estate assets, allowing the REIT to generate higher returns at lower risk than if the REIT was to focus exclusively in primary markets.

The cost of the centres that Charter focuses on are generally in the \$10 to \$40 million range, which allows the REIT to differentiate itself from small public and private real estate investors, who management believes, generally look for smaller investments, while acquiring properties that are small enough to minimize competition from large real estate investment trusts, corporations and institutions. The REIT will also look at larger acquisitions that do not fall into the investment parameters of larger entities but still provide good investment opportunities.

Charter as currently structured, qualifies as a "real estate investment trust" under SIFT tax legislation. Under the SIFT legislation, certain distributions to investors from certain publicly listed or traded trusts and partnerships (or "SIFTs") other than real estate investment trusts, will be subject to tax at a rate that is substantially equivalent to the general tax rate applicable to Canadian corporations and will be taxed in the hands of unitholders as though they were a dividend from a taxable Canadian corporation. The result is that SIFTs (other than real estate investment trusts) will be taxed in a similar manner to corporations and their investors will be taxed in a manner similar to investors in a corporation.

In keeping with the aforementioned business strategy, Charter is continuing to focus on improving its existing assets through redevelopment and leasing initiatives in 2010 and is actively looking for ways to grow the REIT's asset base.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The REIT continues its goal of trying to generate organic growth through redevelopment and re-leasing activities at its existing centres. The redevelopment of its Châteauguay property, through the replacement of a 15,000 square foot cinema tenant with an 18,138 square foot Pharmaprix

(Shoppers Drug Mart) store for a 15 year term, was completed in the first quarter of 2010 with Pharmaprix opening its doors in early March.

Despite the leasing success at the Châteauguay property, overall occupancy for Charter at the end of the quarter was 92.0%, down from 95.1% at year end. The reduced occupancy was mainly due to (i) an 18,573 square foot local dollar store operator vacating its premises in February 2010 at the Méga Centre, (ii) the expiry on March 31, 2010 of a retail tenant occupying 12,012 square feet at the Châteauguay property and (iii) the inability to lease the vacant SAAN space at Place Val Est (23,000 square feet).

In terms of Charter's results for the first quarter of 2010, funds from operations were down year over year mainly as a result of a 13% reduction in net operating income from the properties. Net operating income was negatively impacted by the high vacancy rate at Place Val Est, as well as the recent vacancy and tenant underperformance at the Méga Centre property where net operating income dropped by almost 18% compared to the prior year. At Cornwall Square, net operating income decreased compared to the prior year as a result of new accounting standards implemented in 2009 that caused a one-time adjustment to recoveries recorded in the prior year. Finally, net operating income was negatively impacted at the Châteauguay property on a year over year basis as a result of construction of the Pharmaprix store through most of the first quarter. The second quarter will see the full positive impact on net operating income of this deal.

The following is a summary chart of selected key financial information and statistics:

	Q1 2010	Q1 2009	Q4 2009
NOI ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2,417,950	\$ 2,794,806	\$ 2,543,655
Same-property NOI ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2,417,950	\$ 2,794,806	\$ 2,543,655
FFO ⁽¹⁾	\$ 705,058	\$ 1,214,419	\$ 800,920
FFO per unit - diluted ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.04
Net loss	\$ 797,906	\$ 194,715	\$ 607,645
Net loss per unit – diluted	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.03
Distributions	\$ 741,127	\$ 727,737	\$ 739,632
Distributions per unit ⁽²⁾	\$ 0.040	\$ 0.040	\$ 0.040
Cash distributions ⁽³⁾	\$ 678,915	\$ 558,291	\$ 674,709
Cash distributions per unit ⁽³⁾	\$ 0.037	\$ 0.031	\$ 0.037
Total assets	\$133,762,269	\$137,129,142	\$134,599,449
Total debt ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 93,208,088	\$ 92,190,962	\$ 92,225,963
Debt-to-gross book value	63.3%	63.3%	62.7%
Interest coverage ratio	1.58	2.06	1.66
Debt service coverage ratio	1.29	1.79	1.36
Weighted average interest rate ⁽⁵⁾	5.88%	5.87%	5.87%
Portfolio occupancy	92.0%	95.8%	95.1%

- (1) Net operating income or "NOI" and funds from operations or "FFO" are non-GAAP financial measures widely used in the real estate industry. See "Financial Review" section for further details and advisories.
- (2) Excluding the 3% bonus units given to participants in the Distribution Reinvestment and Optional Unit Purchase Plan.
- (3) Represents distributions to unitholders net of the distribution reinvestment plan.
- (4) Includes secured debt and credit facility.
- (5) Represents the weighted average interest rate for secured debt excluding the operating and acquisition facility, which has a floating rate of interest.

REAL ESTATE PORTFOLIO

Real Estate Portfolio

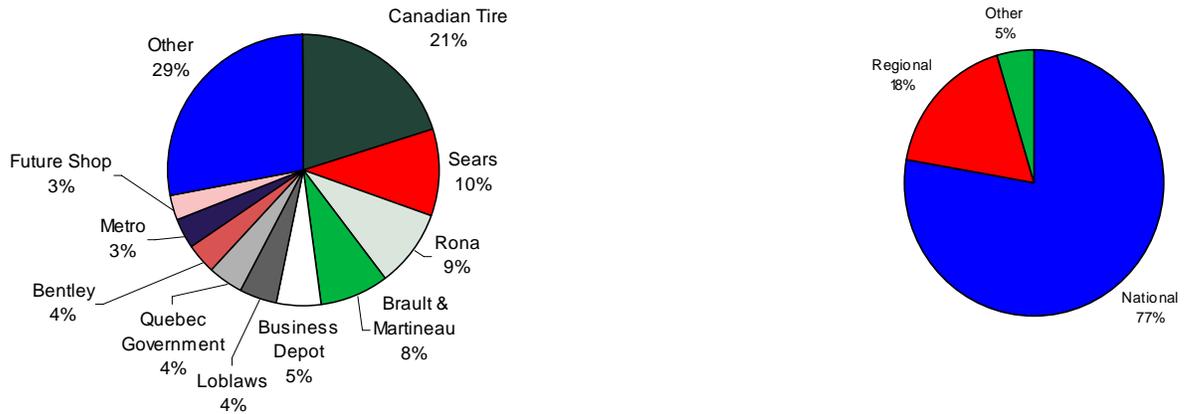
The REIT currently owns ten retail and mixed-use retail properties in Ontario and Quebec as follows:

Property and location	Property type	Date built /redeveloped	Anchor tenants	Gross Leaseable Area (sq.ft.)		Occupancy ^{(2) (3)}	% of annualized base rental revenue ⁽³⁾	Weighted average rent ⁽³⁾
				Retail ⁽¹⁾	Storage space			
Ontario:								
Cornwall Square Cornwall, Ontario	Enclosed Mall	1979/1989	Sears Loblaws (No Frills)	249,994	1,258	97.9%	28.2%	\$11.40
Place Val Est Sudbury, Ontario	Grocery-anchored Strip Centre	1983/1987, 1990, 1998	Metro	110,598	-	73.4%	10.8%	\$13.15
Canadian Tire Property Brockville, Ontario	Free Standing	1995/2006	Canadian Tire	70,380	-	100%	7.8%	\$11.00
Canadian Tire Property Strathroy, Ontario	Free Standing	2005	Canadian Tire	67,834	-	100%	7.5%	\$11.00
Canadian Tire Property Wasaga Beach, Ontario	Free Standing	2007	Canadian Tire	54,081	-	100%	6.0%	\$11.00
Rona Property Exeter, Ontario	Free Standing	1996/2000	Rona	42,780	-	100%	1.5%	\$3.54
Rona Property Seaforth, Ontario	Free Standing	1962/2000	Rona	19,622	-	100%	0.5%	\$2.47
Rona Property Zurich, Ontario	Free Standing	1961/2000	Rona	24,400	-	100%	0.4%	\$1.49
Quebec:								
Méga Centre Montreal, Quebec	Community Power Centre	1973/1993, 1999, 2000, 2004	Brault & Martineau Staples Future Shop	277,477	36,081	88.6%	25.2%	\$10.18
Châteauguay Montreal, Quebec	Mixed-use Strip Centre	1970/1994, 2010	Shoppers Drug Mart Staples	114,756	-	86.0%	12.1%	\$12.16
Total				1,031,922	37,339	92.0% ⁽⁴⁾	100%	\$10.44 ⁽⁴⁾

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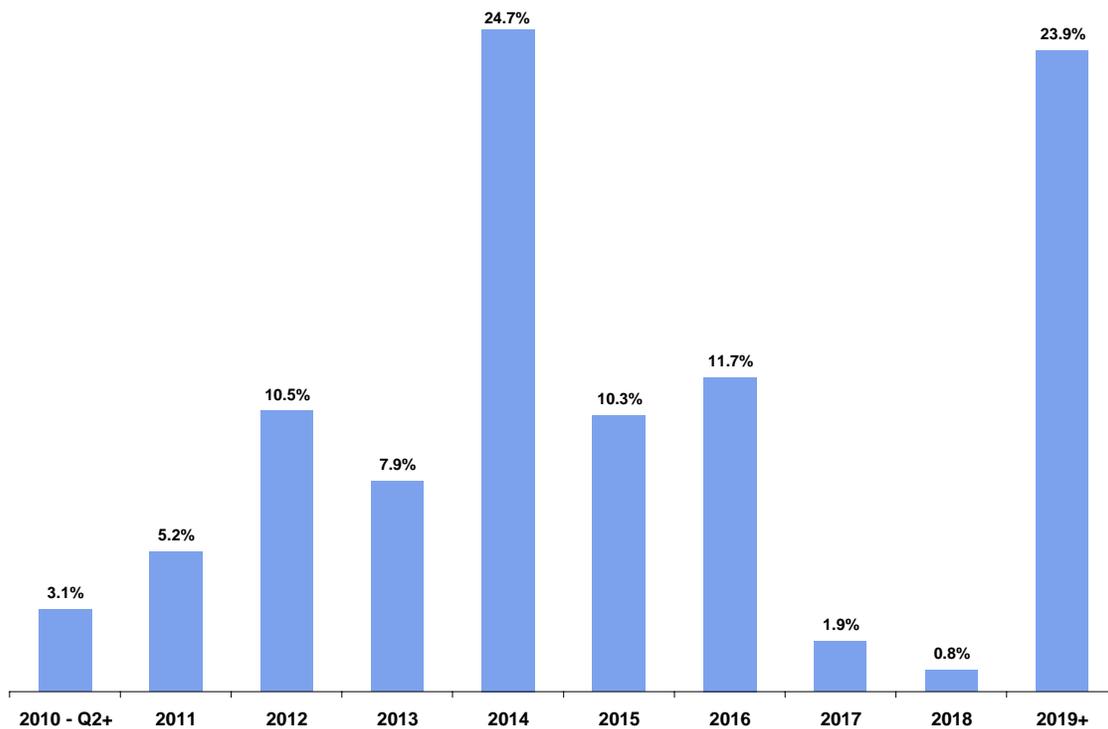
- (1) Includes office space in mixed-use retail properties.
- (2) Excluding storage space.
- (3) Calculated at March 31, 2010 and includes any material new/renewal leasing done by May 4, 2010.
- (4) Represents weighted average for the portfolio.

The REIT has a strong mix of national and regional tenants. The tenant mix for the properties at the end of the first quarter is as follows:



Note: Based on total leased sq. ft. excluding storage

The weighted average term to maturity of existing leases is approximately 7 years. The chart below shows the lease expiration schedule of the properties as a percentage of leased square feet for the remainder of 2010 and beyond:



Note: Based on total leased sq. ft. excluding storage

Leasing Activity and Occupancy

In the first quarter of 2010, the portfolio had lease expiries of 36,203 square feet at an average base rent of \$13.57 per square foot. Of these, new or renewal leases of 21,265 square feet have been entered into at an average base rent of \$10.11 per square foot. For the year, the portfolio has lease expiries of 109,762 square feet at an average base rent of \$10.39 per square foot. Of these, new or renewal leases of 65,710 square feet (or approximately 60% of expiries) have been entered into at an average base rent of \$6.14 per square foot.

The average occupancy rate for the portfolio was 92.0%, compared to 95.1% at December 31, 2009 and 95.8% at March 31, 2009. The reduced occupancy was mainly due to (i) an 18,573 square foot local dollar store operator vacating its premises in February 2010 at the Méga Centre and (ii) the expiry on March 31, 2010 of a retail tenant occupying 12,012 square feet at the Châteauguay property.

Lease expiries for 2010 and new leasing/renewals completed by the date of this MD&A are as follows:

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	
Lease expiries	36,203	17,862	7,035	48,662	109,762	
Base rent per square foot	\$13.57	\$12.74	\$11.82	\$6.96	\$10.39	(1)
New leasing/renewals	21,265	10,352	-	34,093	65,710	
Base rent per square foot	\$10.11	\$14.60	\$-	\$1.10	\$6.14	(1)

(1) weighted average

At the Châteauguay property in Montreal, a retail tenant occupying 12,012 square feet expired on March 31, 2010. The REIT entered into a binding offer with a tenant to take between 8,500 and 12,012 square feet subject to certain tenant conditions. The tenant has indicated that they will take approximately 10,100 square feet and expects to waive the conditions before the end of May. The tenant is expected to initiate rental payments in the fourth quarter. This lease deal will take occupancy at the property to approximately 95% from 86.0% at March 31, 2010. This lease deal is not included as new leasing/renewals in the above chart.

At the Méga Centre property in Montreal, as previously mentioned, a local dollar store operator occupying 18,573 square feet vacated its premises in February 2010. This vacancy could impact net operating income by up to \$210,000 annually. The above chart does not include this vacancy as an expiry in 2010. Subsequent to the quarter, Charter entered into a lease extension with Bentley Leathers Inc. The lease was set to expire at the end of September 2010 but was recently extended to January 31, 2012. The original Bentley lease contained a significant percentage rent component; as part of the lease extension, the REIT has negotiated a fixed base rent from the tenant beginning May 1, 2010, which is expected to positively impact net operating income by approximately \$140,000 annually. The REIT does not foresee this tenant as a long term tenant but wanted to ensure that cash flow remained in place as it actively looks to improve the overall tenant mix at the centre and lease the currently vacant space. Charter believes that Méga Centre's location, transportation access, visibility and the surrounding community's demographics are positive in terms of being able to redevelop, re-lease and stabilize this centre.

At Place Val Est, progress has been slow in terms of leasing the 23,000 square foot vacant former SAAN store as a result of the weak economic conditions in Sudbury, which continues to see nickel mines operating well below capacity, as well as the general economic uncertainty retailers faced throughout Canada in 2009.

At Cornwall Square, 11,536 square feet expired in the quarter at an average base rent of \$22.58 per square foot. All of the square footage was occupied by small in-line tenants, and 10,131 square feet of new or renewal leases were completed at an average base rent of \$16.43 per square foot. The centre has recently seen improved sales performance per square foot and has received more interest of late from mall based tenants looking to expand to the market in 2010 and 2011.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Statement of Operations

The following is a summary of selected financial information from the statements of operations and comprehensive loss.

	Three months ended		
	March 31, 2010	2009	December 31, 2009
Revenues from			
income producing properties	\$ 4,151,806	\$ 4,524,116	\$ 4,191,382
Interest income	1,102	11,077	976
Operating costs from			
income producing properties	1,733,856	1,729,310	1,647,727
Interest expense	1,350,454	1,267,937	1,351,655
General and administrative			
expenses	328,943	259,060	350,547
Depreciation and amortization	1,537,561	1,456,260	1,450,074
Incentive unit option			
compensation	-	17,341	-
Net loss	797,906	194,715	607,645
Net loss per unit-basic & diluted	0.04	0.01	0.03

Net Loss

The net loss increased in the first quarter of 2010 compared to the first quarter of 2009 primarily due to a decrease in net operating income from the properties, an increase in interest expense, an increase in general and administrative expenses and an increase in depreciation and amortization.

The net loss increased in the first quarter of 2010 compared to the fourth quarter of 2009 primarily due to a decrease in net operating income from the properties as well as an increase in depreciation and amortization.

For a discussion of net operating income from the properties (comprised of revenues from income producing properties less operating costs from income producing properties), see below under the heading "Net Operating Income".

Interest Expense

Interest expense was higher at \$1,350,454 for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 compared to \$1,267,937 for the quarter ended March 31, 2009. The increase was mainly due to the increase in interest rate spread that the bank is now charging on the operating and acquisition facility that the REIT has. When the facility was renewed and extended for a two-year term in May 2009, the spreads went up by 250 basis points to reflect current market conditions at the time.

Interest expense for the first quarter of 2010 was consistent with the \$1,351,655 recorded for the fourth quarter of 2009.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 increased to \$328,943 from \$259,060 recorded for the quarter ended March 31, 2009. The increase was mainly due to higher trustee fees and legal fees recorded in the quarter.

General and administrative expenses were marginally lower for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 compared to the quarter ended December 31, 2009. Higher legal fees were more than offset by lower consulting fees.

General and administrative expenses for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 consist of legal and consulting fees of \$68,479, audit and tax compliance fees of \$26,575, trustee fees of \$82,111, asset management fees of \$111,063, transfer agent fees, shareholder reports and other statutory filings of \$19,486 and other miscellaneous expenses of \$21,229.

Depreciation and Amortization

Depreciation and amortization for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 was higher compared to the quarters ended March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2009, respectively. The increase was mainly due to an acceleration of amortization of tenant relationships in the amount of approximately \$96,000 relating to: (i) a 12,012 square foot tenant at the Châteauguay property whose lease expired at the end of March; and (ii) the downsizing of the Yellow Group Inc. at the Châteauguay property as part of the redevelopment and re-leasing of that property.

Incentive Unit Option Compensation

There was no incentive unit option compensation recorded for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 as a result of the fact that all of the previous grants of options have fully vested and have therefore already been fully amortized. No new options have been granted.

Net Operating Income

Net operating income (“NOI”) is defined as revenues from income producing properties less operating costs from income producing properties. NOI is a non-GAAP (“GAAP” refers to Canadian generally accepted accounting principals) financial measure widely used in the real estate industry. Management considers NOI a meaningful additional measure of the results of the property portfolio and is useful in analyzing the operating performance of the property portfolio.

NOI should not be construed as an alternative to net earnings or cash flow from operating activities determined in accordance with GAAP. Management’s method of calculating NOI may differ from other issuers’ methods of calculating NOI and accordingly, may not be comparable to NOI reported by other issuers.

Net Operating Income – All Properties and Same Properties

All ten of the REIT’s properties were owned during the entire quarters ended March 31, 2010, March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2009. As such, the following tables of net operating income also serve as same property net operating income.

	Three months ended March 31, 2010	Three months ended March 31, 2009	Favourable/ (unfavourable) variance
Revenues from income producing properties	\$ 4,151,806	\$ 4,524,116	\$ (372,310)
Operating costs from income producing properties	1,733,856	1,729,310	(4,546)
Net operating income	\$ 2,417,950	\$ 2,794,806	\$ (376,856)

The decrease in NOI for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 compared to the same period in 2009 is primarily due to a decrease in NOI at the REIT’s Méga Centre, Cornwall Square, Châteauguay and Place Val Est properties. At the REIT’s Méga Centre property, NOI was negatively affected by a decrease in rental income from the Bentley Leathers Inc. lease deal (34,093 square feet that commenced in October 2009), compared to the previous tenant that was occupying that space. It should be noted that subsequent to the quarter end, Charter entered into a lease extension with Bentley Leathers Inc. As part of the lease extension, the REIT will be receiving more rent from the space which is expected to positively impact NOI by approximately \$140,000 annually, beginning May 1, 2010. At Cornwall Square, NOI decreased compared to the prior year as a result of new accounting standards implemented in 2009 that caused a one-time adjustment to recoveries recorded in the prior year. At the Châteauguay property, the continued redevelopment of the centre during the quarter negatively impacted NOI as Pharmaprix (18,138 square feet) did not commence rental payments until March 2010, upon completion of their premises. At Place Val Est in Sudbury, the REIT continued to receive rent in 2009 on the 23,000 square foot former SAAN Stores Ltd. space through a rental guarantee that the REIT had from the previous owner of the property. This rental guarantee expired at the end of July 2009.

	Three months ended March 31, 2010	Three months ended December 31, 2009	Favourable/ (unfavourable) variance
Revenues from income producing properties	\$ 4,151,806	\$ 4,191,382	\$ (39,576)
Operating costs from income producing properties	1,733,856	1,647,727	(86,129)
Net operating income	\$ 2,417,950	\$ 2,543,655	\$ (125,705)

The decrease in NOI for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 compared to the prior quarter is primarily due to a decrease in NOI from the Méga Centre and Cornwall Square properties. At the Méga Centre, NOI was negatively affected by (i) the local dollar store operator (18,573 square feet) that vacated its premises in February 2010 and the related \$20,000 allowance for doubtful accounts recorded, and (ii) an increase in snow removal costs customary for this time of the year. The dollar store vacancy could impact NOI by up to \$210,000 annually. At Cornwall Square, NOI was affected by regular seasonal activity. Percentage rent and temporary cart rentals generally increase in the fourth quarter due to the Christmas season.

Funds From Operations

Funds from operations (“FFO”) is a non-GAAP financial measure of operating performance widely used by the real estate industry. Charter calculates FFO in accordance with the recommendations of the Real Property Association of Canada (“RealPac”). The definition is meant to standardize the calculation and disclosure of FFO across real estate entities in Canada, and is modeled on the definition adopted by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts (“NAREIT”) in the United States.

Management considers FFO a meaningful additional measure of operating performance for financial analysts, investors and unitholders, as it primarily rejects the assumption that the value of real estate investments diminishes predictably over time and it adjusts for items included in GAAP net income that may not necessarily be the best determinants of operating performance.

FFO should not be construed as an alternative to net earnings or cash flow from operating activities determined in accordance with GAAP. Management’s method of calculating FFO may differ from other issuers’ methods of calculating FFO and accordingly, may not be comparable to FFO reported by other issuers.

A reconciliation of GAAP net income to FFO is as follows:

	Three months ended March 31, 2010	Three months ended March 31, 2009	Three months ended December 31, 2009
Net (loss) for the period	\$ (797,906)	\$ (194,715)	\$ (607,645)
Add depreciation & amortization of:			
Income producing properties	929,980	925,792	933,343
Deferred costs	16,409	5,459	14,134
Intangible assets	556,575	477,883	461,088
FFO	\$ 705,058	\$ 1,214,419	\$ 800,920
Weighted average units			
Basic	18,504,160	18,056,628	18,440,938
Diluted	18,504,160	18,056,628	18,440,938
FFO per unit			
Basic	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.04
Diluted	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.04

FFO decreased during the quarter ended March 31, 2010 compared to the same period in 2009 primarily due to decreased NOI of approximately \$377,000, increased interest expense of approximately \$83,000 and increased general and administrative expenses of approximately \$70,000.

FFO for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 decreased compared to the quarter ended December 31, 2009, primarily due to a decrease in NOI of approximately 126,000.

Balance Sheet Analysis – Total Assets

	As at March 31, 2010	As at December 31, 2009
Income producing properties	\$ 121,583,256	\$ 122,216,906
Intangible assets	9,182,363	9,738,939
Deferred costs	350,925	403,390
Cash	1,212,194	1,074,765
Other assets	1,433,531	1,165,449
Total assets	\$ 133,762,269	\$ 134,599,449

The REIT allocates the purchase price of properties acquired largely to income producing properties (land, building and tenant improvements) and intangible assets (which represent above-market leases, lease origination costs and tenant relationship values that are acquired in a property purchase). No acquisitions were made in the first quarter of 2010. The change in the balances of income producing properties and intangible assets is primarily due to depreciation and amortization on these previously acquired assets, partly offset by approximately \$296,000 of capital expenditures and tenant improvements on income producing properties.

Deferred costs represent leasing costs, net of amortization, as well as deferred financing costs on the operating and acquisition facility, also net of amortization. The decrease mainly relates to regular amortization.

Other assets of \$1,433,531 at March 31, 2010 include accounts receivable of \$842,351 (net of allowance for doubtful accounts) and prepaid expenses of \$591,180 (which primarily consist of prepaid property taxes, prepaid insurance and prepaid interest on Bankers' Acceptances entered into under the operating and acquisition facility). Within accounts receivable, \$752,248 relates to accumulated rental revenue recognized on a straight-line basis.

Capital

The REIT's capital consists of its debt capital and its equity capital. The REIT actively manages both its debt capital and its equity capital with the objectives of ensuring that the REIT can continue to grow and operate its business.

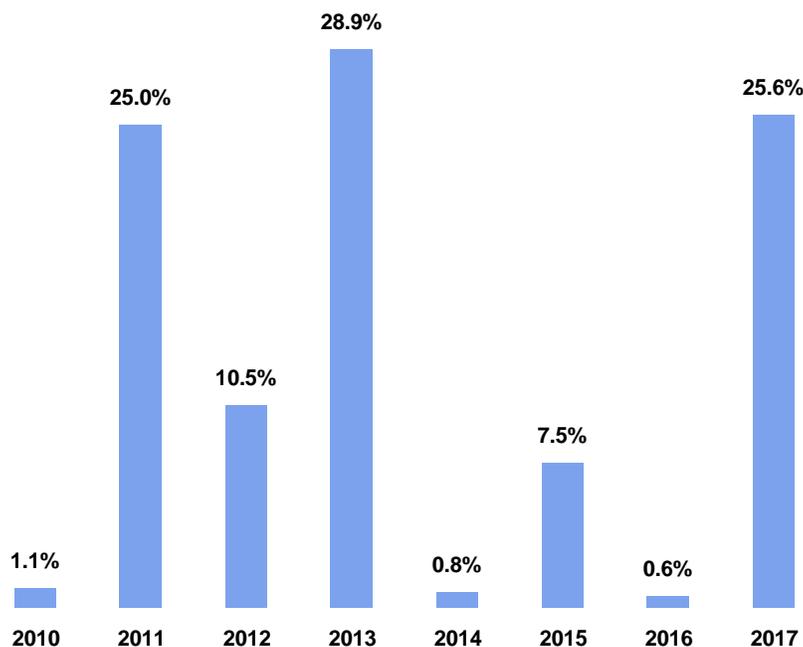
Real estate is a capital intensive industry. As a result, debt capital in particular, is a very important aspect to managing the business. In addition, financial leverage is used to enhance returns from purchased real estate. Given the importance of debt capital, the REIT monitors its debt regularly for compliance with debt covenants contained in its loan agreements. The REIT is in compliance with all of its loan covenants.

The following table shows the REIT's total capital at March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009.

	As at March 31, 2010	As at December 31, 2009
Secured debt	\$ 71,458,088	\$ 71,725,963
Credit facility	21,750,000	20,500,000
Unitholders' equity	38,017,467	39,496,064
Total capital	\$ 131,225,555	\$ 131,722,027

Mortgages and Other Financing

The following is a debt maturity table for all of the REIT's secured debt and credit facility, starting with the remainder of 2010:



It should be noted that 92% of the 2011 maturity as shown in the above table relates to the renewal of the REIT's revolving operating and acquisition facility.

Interest coverage and debt service coverage ratios are as follows:

	Three months ended March 31, 2010	Three months ended March 31, 2009	Three months ended December 31, 2009
Interest coverage ratio ⁽¹⁾	1.58	2.06	1.66
Debt service coverage ratio ⁽²⁾	1.29	1.79	1.36

(1) Interest coverage ratio is calculated as EBITDA divided by interest expense (before amortization of financing fees included in interest expense), where EBITDA is net income before interest expense, incentive unit option compensation expense and depreciation and amortization.

(2) Debt service coverage ratio is calculated as EBITDA divided by debt service, where debt service is principal repayments plus interest expense (before amortization of financing fees included in interest expense).

The decrease in the interest coverage ratio in the first quarter of 2010 compared to the first quarter of 2009 mainly relates to the decrease in NOI and FFO recorded, as well as an increase in interest expense due to the increase in interest rate spread that the bank is now charging on the operating and acquisition facility that the REIT has. The decrease in the interest coverage ratio compared to the fourth quarter of 2009 mainly relates to the decrease in NOI and FFO recorded.

The decrease in the debt service coverage ratio in the first quarter of 2010 compared to the first quarter of 2009 mainly relates to (i) the decrease in NOI and FFO recorded, (ii) the increase in interest expense due to the increase in interest rate spread that the bank is now charging on the

operating and acquisition facility that the REIT has, and (iii) the increase in principal repayments mainly due to the expiration of the interest-only period on the Méga Centre first mortgage. The decrease in the debt service coverage ratio compared to the fourth quarter of 2009 mainly relates to the decrease in NOI and FFO recorded.

Secured Debt

The REIT's current average term to maturity on its secured debt (including mortgages payable and corporate secured debt but excluding the operating and acquisition facility all discussed below in more detail) is approximately 5 years, and the weighted average contractual interest rate is 5.88%.

Future principal repayments on the secured debt (including mortgages payable and corporate secured debt but excluding the operating and acquisition facility) are as follows:

Year	Principal instalment payments	Balance maturing	Total	Contractual interest rate on debt maturing
2010 (remainder of year)	\$ 1,005,907	\$ -	\$ 1,005,907	
2011	1,697,518	-	1,697,518	
2012	1,805,741	8,014,133	9,819,874	5.39%
2013	1,479,292	25,627,933	27,107,225	6.69%
2014	755,905	-	755,905	
Thereafter	1,488,127	30,085,651	31,573,778	5.29%
Total	\$ 8,232,490	\$ 63,727,717	\$ 71,960,207	

Mortgages Payable

The REIT's objective in securing mortgages for its properties and managing its long-term debt is to stagger the maturities in order to mitigate the risk of short-term volatilities in the debt markets. The REIT has conventional first mortgages on all of its properties except for the Rona properties and Cornwall Square. The Rona properties are being used as security for the \$8,600,000 corporate secured debt (see below under "Corporate Secured Debt"). Cornwall Square is being used as security for the operating and acquisition facility discussed in more detail under "Acquisition Facility" below.

Corporate Secured Debt

Concurrent with the closing of the Canadian Tire properties in 2008, the REIT obtained corporate financing in the total amount of \$10,000,000, made up of two facilities (the "Facilities"). The Facilities were primarily used to finance the equity portion of the Canadian Tire properties, as well as for working capital purposes.

The first facility is an \$8,600,000 five-year facility that bears interest at 8.75% per annum on an interest-only basis. The facility can be prepaid without penalty at any time and is secured by (a) a

first charge on the REIT's three Rona properties located in Exeter, Seaforth and Zurich, Ontario; (b) second charges on the Méga Centre property, the Châteauguay property and the Canadian Tire properties; and (c) a general security agreement relating to the above properties.

The second facility is a \$1,400,000 five-year facility that bears interest at 8.75% per annum on an interest-only basis for the first two years and is then self-amortizing over the final three years. The facility can be prepaid without penalty at any time and is secured by a second charge on the Cornwall Square shopping centre.

The Facilities require that the REIT maintain an overall debt-to-gross book value ratio of no more than 75%.

Acquisition Facility

The REIT has a revolving operating and acquisition facility (the "Acquisition Facility") available to it from a Canadian chartered bank. The Acquisition Facility is secured by Cornwall Square. The Acquisition Facility may be used to fund the equity portion of future acquisitions (without lender approval of the particular acquisition) and for general working capital purposes. The Acquisition Facility expires on May 19, 2011 and is for a maximum amount of \$26,000,000. Pursuant to the terms of the Acquisition Facility, from time to time, the amount permitted to be drawn under the Acquisition Facility may be adjusted based on certain financial tests. At March 31, 2010, the permitted draw down is \$23,750,000. Amounts drawn down under the Acquisition Facility bear interest at a rate equal to the Bank's prime rate plus 3.50% per annum and Banker's Acceptances bear interest at a rate equal to the Bank's Acceptance stamping fee plus 4.50% per annum. Amongst a number of customary tests for this type of facility, the Acquisition Facility contains financial covenants with respect to maintaining a debt-to-gross book value ratio of no more than 75% (March 31, 2010 – 63.3%) and maintaining a debt service coverage ratio of no less than 1.25:1 calculated on a rolling four quarter basis (March 31, 2010 – 1.44:1) as well as requiring that cash distributions do not exceed funds from operations in any quarter.

Financing Costs

The unamortized balance of financing costs of \$502,119 at March 31, 2010 relating to secured debt (including mortgages payable and corporate secured debt), has been netted against the secured debt on the balance sheet. The unamortized balance of financing costs of \$159,531 at March 31, 2010 relating to the Acquisition Facility has been capitalized to deferred costs on the balance sheet.

These financing costs represent commitment fees and other fees paid in connection with securing these loans and facilities.

Debt-to-Gross Book Value

The REIT monitors its debt-to-gross book value ratio, a ratio that has become a common industry metric reviewed by analysts, unitholders and others within the industry. The REIT does not have a specific debt-gross book value threshold imposed on it in its Declaration of Trust, however the REIT's Acquisition Facility and corporate secured debt impose a restriction on the REIT's debt-to-gross book value ratio, being a maximum of 75%. At March 31, 2010, the REIT has a debt-to-gross book value ratio of 63.3%, calculated as follows:

	As at March 31, 2010	As at December 31, 2009
Debt:		
Gross value of secured debt ⁽¹⁾	\$ 71,960,207	\$ 72,253,090
Amounts drawn on available credit facility	21,750,000	20,500,000
	\$ 93,710,207	\$ 92,753,090
Gross Book Value of Assets:		
Total assets	\$ 133,762,269	\$ 134,599,449
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	14,321,508	13,252,337
	\$ 148,083,777	\$ 147,851,786
Debt-to-Gross Book Value	63.3%	62.7%

(1) Represents actual balance of mortgages and corporate secured debt without netting the unamortized balance of the financing fees.

Unitholders' Equity

In the first quarter of 2010, unitholders' equity was mainly impacted by the net loss recorded and approximately \$741,000 in distributions to unitholders. The REIT currently makes monthly cash distributions of \$0.01333 per unit, representing an annualized distribution of \$0.16 per unit. The REIT's trustees have discretion in declaring distributions and review those distributions on a regular basis.

For further discussion about the REIT's distributions, see below under the heading "Cash Flows". The REIT issues equity when it is available and appropriate to replenish cash, for acquisitions or other uses. The REIT generally uses its Acquisition Facility to fund the equity portion of acquisitions as well as to fund general working capital requirements between capital raises.

Cash Flows

The REIT's main liquidity requirements arise from ongoing working capital requirements, debt servicing and repayment obligations, capital and leasing expenditures on existing properties, property acquisitions and distributions to unitholders. All of the aforementioned liquidity requirements, except for debt repayment obligations at maturity and property acquisitions, are generally funded from cash flows from operations or from drawing on the REIT's Acquisition

Facility. Debt repayment obligations are generally funded from refinancing the related debt and property acquisitions are generally funded from equity raises as well as obtaining debt financing on the related property – although between capital raises, the REIT may use its Acquisition Facility to fund the equity portion of property acquisitions.

Liquidity risk arises from the possibility of not having sufficient debt and equity capital available to the REIT to fund future growth, refinance debts as they mature or meet the REIT’s payment obligations as they arise. Furthermore, liquidity risk also arises from the REIT not being able to obtain financing or refinancing on favourable terms. The REIT’s financial condition and results of operations would be adversely affected if it were unable to obtain financing/refinancing or cost-effective financing/refinancing, or if it were unable to meet its other liquidity requirements from ongoing operating cash flows.

The REIT attempts to mitigate its liquidity risk by staggering the maturities of its debt as discussed under the heading “Mortgages Payable”. As well, the REIT’s distributions are made at the discretion of the trustees. Finally, the REIT doesn’t enter into property acquisitions unless it has secured or knows that it can secure the appropriate capital (debt and equity) to fund the particular acquisition.

The REIT’s FFO was insufficient to cover its distributions but sufficient to cover its cash distributions. The REIT’s payout ratio for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 is 105% of FFO based on the current distribution level of \$0.04 per quarter and the cash payout ratio is 96% of FFO.

The following table summarizes the net cash provided by or (used in) the REIT’s activities:

	Three months ended		
	March 31, 2010	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2009
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 537,615	\$ 1,153,333	\$ 1,089,603
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	\$ 276,682	\$ (842,878)	\$ 34,513
Net cash used in investing activities	\$ (676,868)	\$ (348,589)	\$ (1,465,730)

Cash provided by operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2010 compared to the same period in 2009 decreased primarily due to a decrease in FFO of approximately \$509,000 as well as a decrease in change in non-cash working capital of approximately 95,000.

Cash provided by operating activities for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 decreased compared to the quarter ended December 31, 2009 mainly due to a decrease in FFO of approximately \$96,000 and a decrease in change in non-cash working capital of approximately \$484,000. The decrease in change in non-cash working capital mainly relates to the timing of the payment of realty taxes.

For the three months ended March 31, 2010, cash provided by financing activities mainly relates to a net drawdown on the Acquisition Facility of \$1,250,000 mainly required for the continued redevelopment of the Châteauguay property, partly offset by \$678,915 in cash distributions paid to unitholders and principal repayments on secured debt amounting to \$292,883.

Cash used in financing activities decreased during the current quarter compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2009 mainly due to the \$1,250,000 net drawdown on the Acquisition Facility (no drawdowns occurred in the first quarter of 2009).

Cash provided by financing activities increased in the quarter ended March 31, 2010 as compared to the quarter ended December 31, 2009 mainly due to net drawdowns on the Acquisition Facility of \$1,250,000 in the first quarter of 2010 compared to \$1,000,000 in the fourth quarter of 2009.

Cash used in investing activities was \$676,868 for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 compared to \$348,589 for the quarter ended March 31, 2009 and \$1,465,730 for the quarter ended December 31, 2009. The significant increase over the first quarter of 2009 was mainly due to the significant additions to building improvements and tenant improvements for the redevelopment of the Châteauguay property, which started in the latter half of 2009 and continued on into 2010. The decrease over the fourth quarter of 2009 was again mainly due to the redevelopment of the Châteauguay property, as the activity level there lessened in the first quarter of 2010 with the project drawing to a close.

Capital Expenditures and Leasing Costs

Management believes that over the next five years, the Méga Centre property will require capital expenditures of between \$150,000 and \$250,000 mainly for parking lot maintenance. As well, the REIT may choose to undertake certain cosmetic upgrades to the shopping centre's façade, landscaping, lighting and pylon signage that would cost approximately \$500,000. The extent of these renovations will depend on leasing activity in the centre.

With respect to Cornwall Square, the REIT does not expect to make significant non-recoverable capital expenditures on the property in the next five years. In the first quarter of 2010, approximately \$18,000 was incurred mainly on landlord's work relating to new leasing/renewals.

With respect to the Châteauguay property, approximately \$278,000 was incurred mainly on tenant improvements relating to the property's redevelopment and re-leasing initiatives that were started in 2009. The REIT does not expect to incur any further significant capital expenditures on the property in the next five years.

With respect to Place Val Est, management expects to spend between \$175,000 and \$350,000 in capital expenditures over the next five years. These expenditures are primarily for HVAC replacement, parking lot maintenance and sidewalk renovations. Management believes that approximately 50% of these amounts will be recoverable from tenants. In the first quarter of 2010, there were no capital expenditures incurred on the property.

Related Party Transactions

Pursuant to the REIT's management agreement with C.A. Realty Management Inc. (the "Manager") (a wholly-owned subsidiary of C.A. Bancorp Inc. – the REIT's major unitholder, holding approximately 33% of the outstanding units of Charter), management fees (both asset

management fees and acquisition fees) of \$111,063 for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 were payable to the Manager (\$109,857 for the quarter ended March 31, 2009).

Quarterly Performance

The following is a summary of the interim results for each of the last eight quarterly periods.

	Q2-2008	Q3-2008	Q4-2008	Q1-2009	Q2-2009	Q3-2009	Q4-2009	Q1-2010
Total revenues	\$3,714,219	\$3,938,207	\$4,608,879	\$4,535,193	\$4,217,765	\$4,194,428	\$4,192,358	\$4,152,908
Expenses	\$3,910,659	\$4,308,872	\$4,837,249	\$4,729,908	4,882,326	\$4,499,904	\$4,800,003	\$4,950,814
Net loss	\$196,440	\$370,665	\$228,370	\$194,715	\$664,561	\$ 305,476	\$ 607,645	\$ 797,906
Net loss per unit – basic & diluted	\$0.01	\$0.02	\$0.01	\$0.01	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.03	\$0.04

Changes in Accounting Policies

There are no current year changes in accounting policies.

With respect to future changes in accounting pronouncements, management monitors the CICA recently issued accounting pronouncements to assess the applicability and impact, if any, of those pronouncements on the REIT's consolidated financial statements and note disclosures. Note 3 to the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2009 contains a list of those future accounting changes currently outstanding. However, the principal future accounting change relates to the changeover to International Financial Reporting Standards.

International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”)

The Accounting Standards Board (“AcSB”) confirmed that the adoption of IFRS would be effective for interim and annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2011 for Canadian publicly accountable profit-oriented enterprises. IFRS will replace Canada's current GAAP for these enterprises. Comparative IFRS information for the previous fiscal year will also have to be provided.

Management has an implementation strategy and continues to evaluate the potential impact of IFRS on the REIT's financial statements. This will be an ongoing process as the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”) and the AcSB issue new standards and recommendations. The REIT's consolidated financial performance and financial position as disclosed in the current GAAP financial statements may be significantly different when presented in accordance with IFRS.

The REIT's IFRS implementation strategy has been communicated to the REIT's trustees and updated regularly and the REIT is currently on track with respect to relevant timelines, although the implementation strategy and relevant timelines continue to be revisited and changed as more information on the REIT's adoption of IFRS becomes known. Management believes that it has enough internal resources to deal with the conversion but may hire one additional resource in the latter half of 2010 to deal with the implementation of IFRS. The implementation of IFRS will result in accounting policy changes that will also result in certain additional internal controls and procedures over financial reporting or system changes to be required. For example, in reporting income producing properties (as discussed more fully below), additional controls will need to be

designed and implemented to ensure that the recorded balance is fairly stated. Such additional controls will include the use of independent valuers and senior management oversight on the development of key assumptions. With respect to system changes, at the current time, it is anticipated that no significant system changes will be required, although appropriate training will need to be undertaken with the REIT's property managers to ensure that they understand the IFRS changes relevant to the REIT. Any system changes and training are planned for the latter half of 2010.

Certain key arrangements that the REIT has in place, such as its Acquisition Facility, may need to be revised in order to deal with the changes to the REIT's financial statements that will occur. Management's current assessment is that revisions to key arrangements will only be necessary if the REIT moves to a fair value model for income producing properties after initial implementation of IFRS (discussed in more detail below). Any such revisions to key arrangements are proposed to occur in the latter half of 2010.

The REIT has identified IFRS versus current Canadian GAAP differences and various policy choices available under IFRS, but continues to assess the implications of such differences and policy choices on its financial reporting. Based on the analysis performed to date, management believes the largest impacts will pertain to the valuation of the REIT's income producing properties and the potential treatment of amortization of tenant improvements as a reduction to revenues rather than as a depreciation and amortization expense.

Income Producing Properties

IFRS defines an investment property as a property held to earn rentals or for capital appreciation or both. A key characteristic of an investment property is that it generates cash flows largely independently of the other assets held by an entity. It is expected that all of the REIT's income producing properties will be categorized as investment properties.

Like Canadian GAAP, investment property is initially measured at cost; however, subsequent to initial recognition, IFRS requires that an entity choose either the cost or fair value model to account for its investment property. The fair value model requires an entity to record a gain or loss in income arising from a change in the fair value of investment property in the period of change. No depreciation related to investment property is recognized under the fair value model. The cost model is generally consistent with Canadian GAAP in that separate components are recognized for each significant part of an asset, which is carried at cost less any accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. IFRS allows an entity to initially measure investment properties upon transition to IFRS at fair value as deemed cost, as opposed to fully retroactive application of the cost model under IFRS. Therefore, fair value as deemed cost would become the new cost amounts for the qualifying assets at transition. However, if an entity selects the cost model as its measurement choice subsequent to initial recognition, it is required to disclose, at least annually, the fair value of investment property in the notes to its financial statements.

It is anticipated that the REIT will initially measure its income producing properties at fair value, which will be deemed cost. Work required to be done by independent valuers has commenced. In terms of any decisions regarding the REIT's policy choice on income producing properties subsequent to transition to IFRS (that is cost versus fair value), the REIT is still evaluating its options and expects to make a decision in the second quarter of 2010.

Tenant Improvements

Both Canadian GAAP and IFRS require that tenant incentives be recorded as a reduction of rental revenue. However, the IFRS definition of tenant incentives may differ from what the REIT currently applies under Canadian GAAP, which may result in more tenant improvement costs being amortized against revenue.

Critical Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires the REIT to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. The REIT's significant accounting policies are described in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2009. Management believes that the policies which are most subject to estimation and management's judgment relate to the following:

Property Acquisitions

In accordance with the CICA Handbook, management is required to allocate the purchase price to all identifiable tangible and intangible assets and liabilities, which may include land, buildings, tenant improvements, above and below market in-place leases, lease origination costs and tenant relationship values. Management uses estimates and judgments with respect to such items as market rates and discount rates to derive the fair values of these various components. Future depreciation and amortization is impacted by the derived allocations, due to the varying rates of amortization for these different assets.

Impairment of Income Producing Properties

Management must evaluate the recoverability of the net carrying amount of income producing properties. An impairment in the value of income producing properties is recognized when the carrying value exceeds the total undiscounted future cash flows expected from the use and eventual disposal of the asset. In making this evaluation, estimates are made regarding the future cash flows of the property, which involve assumptions on future occupancy, rental rates and residual value.

Depreciation and Amortization

Depreciation and amortization requires estimates of useful lives of the underlying assets.

Incentive Unit Options

Incentive unit compensation expense represents the amortization of the fair value of options granted. The derivation of the fair value of options granted uses the Black-Scholes option pricing model and requires assumptions regarding the REIT's underlying units, such as expected volatility, the risk-free rate of return and dividend yield.

Fair Value Disclosures

Management is required to disclose the fair value of financial instruments in the financial statements. In determining the fair value of financial instruments, management must make

estimates and assumptions with respect to current market interest rates, credit spreads and terms to maturity.

DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND INTERNAL CONTROLS

Management maintains appropriate information systems, procedures and controls to ensure that information that is publicly disclosed is complete, reliable and timely. This includes establishing adequate internal controls over financial reporting to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with GAAP. Management believes that the REIT's disclosure controls and procedures and internal controls over financial reporting as at March 31, 2010 were appropriately designed, however management is not required to certify the design and evaluation of the REIT's disclosure controls and procedures or internal controls over financial reporting and have not completed such an evaluation. As well, inherent limitations on the ability of management to design and implement on a cost-effective basis, disclosure controls and procedures or internal controls over financial reporting for the REIT, may result in additional risks to the quality, reliability, transparency and timeliness of interim and annual filings and other reports provided under securities legislation.

There has been no change in internal controls over financial reporting in 2010 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect the REIT's internal controls over financial reporting. For many of its properties, the REIT has engaged the services of third-party property managers whose internal controls form part of the REIT's system of internal controls. The REIT has documented and continues to review those internal controls, reports and other documentation provided by the property managers as part of its internal control activities.

TAX

The distributions made during 2010 are expected to be tax deferred and would therefore not be included in the income of a unitholder for tax purposes but would reduce the adjusted cost base of that unitholder's units. Also, as currently structured, management believes that the REIT qualifies as a "real estate investment trust" under the SIFT tax legislation. Under the SIFT legislation, certain distributions to investors from certain publicly listed or traded trusts and partnerships (or "SIFTs") other than real estate investment trusts, will be subject to tax at a rate that is substantially equivalent to the general tax rate applicable to Canadian corporations and will be taxed in the hands of unitholders as though they were a dividend from a taxable Canadian corporation. The result is that SIFTs (other than real estate investment trusts) will be taxed in a similar manner to corporations and their investors will be taxed in a manner similar to investors in a corporation. The SIFT legislation applied commencing in the 2007 taxation year. The SIFT legislation does not apply to certain trusts that qualify as real estate investment trusts. Should it be found that the REIT fails to qualify as a real estate investment trust or the REIT undertakes subsequent activities that cause it to fail to qualify as a real estate investment trust, the SIFT legislation would allow the failure to be cured within the taxation year so that the REIT could qualify as a real estate investment trust for the next taxation year.

OUTLOOK

Charter's units continue to trade well, hitting a high of \$1.55 per unit in the quarter, reflecting the improvement in the real estate investment trust market and the equity markets in general; however, C.A. Bancorp Inc. (the REIT's major unitholder and asset manager) has been engaged in a strategic review process since early December, 2009 that has hampered the REIT's ability to

raise capital, as the outcome of C.A. Bancorp Inc.'s strategic process and its possible effect on Charter are unknown at this time. Charter continues to actively look for alternative ways to grow its asset base, with a view to enhancing value for its unitholders. This continues to be a key focus for the REIT in 2010.

In terms of the REIT's existing properties, the REIT has made good progress on its leasing and redevelopment initiatives at its Châteauguay property and for 2010, this focus will continue at its other properties as well. In particular, Charter's goal will be to lease vacant space and strengthen the tenant mix with a focus on more stable national and regional tenants, as local tenants have struggled to survive in today's economic conditions and have disproportionately contributed to declines in Charter's NOI.