# NATIONAL STORAGE REIT ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

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## **NSR FY17 RESULTS**

National Storage REIT (NSR) today announced its financial results for the year ended 30 June 2017 with an IFRS profit after tax of \$103.4 million.

#### **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

- IFRS profit after tax of \$103.4 million
- EPS 20.74cps, up 59% on FY16
- FY17 underlying earnings(1) of \$45.7million up 57% on FY16
- Underlying EPS<sup>(1)</sup> 9.2 cps in line with guidance, up 5.7% on FY16
- Final distribution of 4.6 cps bringing total FY17 distribution to 9.2 cps
- 21% increase in total assets under management to \$1.163 billion
- Net Tangible Assets increased by 18% to \$1.34 per stapled security
- \$138 million acquisitions successfully transacted
- FY18 underlying EPS guidance of 9.6 10.1 cps (\$49.5 \$52.0 million)

#### FINANCIAL RESULTS

Managing Director Mr Andrew Catsoulis said "NSR has delivered FY17 results in line with guidance, with 5.7% growth in underlying earnings per stapled security supported by revenue growth of 47% to \$117.5 million. Our results reflect the continued successful execution of our growth strategy, transacting \$138 million in acquisitions which has seen total assets under management surpass \$1.163 billion, cementing our position as the largest storage owner-operator in Australasia."

NSR confirms the final distribution of 4.6 cps (totaling 9.2 cps for FY17) previously declared on 22 June 2016 and confirms the payment date of 30 August 2016.

## **OPERATING RESULTS**

Organic revenue growth in FY17 has been underpinned by the delivery of combined improvement in twin drivers of occupancy and rate per square metre, resulting in revenue per available metre (REVPAM) growth of 5.2% from \$202 to \$212. Total portfolio (excluding NZ and developing centres) occupancy grew by 2.1% to 77.5% with approximately 50% of the portfolio trading at or above 80%.

"Throughout FY17 we have focused on improving our operating fundamentals while continuing to evolve our business model to deliver synergies and scalability" said Mr Catsoulis.

### OUTLOOK

NSR provides FY18 underlying EPS guidance of 9.6 – 10.1 cps and underlying earnings guidance of \$49.5 million to \$52.0 million, assuming no material changes in market conditions.

"The potential for organic growth, portfolio development and our acquisition pipeline across Australia and New Zealand remains strong and we will continue to look to execute high quality acquisition opportunities" Mr Catsoulis said.

#### **ENDS**

National Storage is one of the largest self-storage providers in Australia and New Zealand, with 116 centres providing tailored storage solutions to over 40,000 residential and commercial customers across Australia and New Zealand. NSR is the first independent, internally managed and fully integrated owner and operator of self-storage centres to be listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX).

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