

Starlight Investments Achieves LEED®-EB Gold Certification at Bloor Islington Place in Toronto, Ontario



Toronto – **January 6, 2020** – Starlight Investments (“Starlight”) is pleased to announce the successful receipt of LEED®-EB Gold Certification at Bloor Islington Place. The purpose of the initiative was to reduce the carbon footprint at the complex while simultaneously enhancing tenant satisfaction. Located at 3250-3300 Bloor Street West in Toronto, Ontario, Bloor Islington Place is a mixed-use building complex comprising 856,774 rentable office square feet.

LEED® (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) is a global rating system and rigorous certification program designated under the Existing Buildings: Operations and Maintenance Program presented by the Canada Green Building Council and is an internationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction and operation of high-performance green buildings. In addition to the environmental and economic benefits accruing from certification, LEED® buildings provide increased tenant comfort and satisfaction through healthier buildings featuring better air quality and improved temperature control, among other improvements.

During the past three years, Starlight undertook an extensive capital expenditure program including the upgrade of major HVAC equipment as well as water efficiency, electrical and mechanical systems. Specific initiatives included:

- HVAC recommissioning including the chilled water plant, heating plant, air handling units, compartmental units, exhaust systems and terminal zones
- Replacement of the East Tower cooling plant with high efficiency magnetic bearing chillers
- Upgrade of underground parking garage lights to LED
- Revised operational plan to maximize energy efficiency

“At Starlight we believe that reducing the carbon footprint of our buildings is beneficial for both the environment and our tenants,” said Starlight’s President and Chief Executive Officer, Daniel Drimmer. “The LEED® Gold Certification that we have received for Bloor Islington Place is a reflection of our commitment to sustainability and tenant satisfaction.”

The certification was overseen by LEED® Consultant WSP Canada Inc., who through a Retro-Commissioning Plan identified opportunities to improve operational practices, energy performance, and tenant comfort, and to establish a methodology for these improvements to ensure Bloor Islington Place remains a best-in-class, comfortable and energy efficient commercial building in Toronto’s west end.

About Starlight Investments

Starlight Investments is a privately held Toronto-based, full service, multi-family and commercial real estate investment and asset management company driven by an experienced team of over 200 professionals. The company currently manages over \$14.0 billion of direct real estate as well as real estate investment securities. Investment vehicles include institutional joint ventures, True North Commercial REIT, Starlight U.S. Multi-Family Funds and Starlight Capital Funds. Starlight Investment’s portfolio consists of approximately 36,000 multi-residential units across Canada and the U.S. and over 7.0 million square feet of commercial properties. Please visit us at www.starlightinvest.com and connect with us on LinkedIn at www.linkedin.com/company/starlight-investments-ltd-

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