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## KBS REIT III Acquires 201 17th Street

ATLANTA, (June 24, 2015) – <u>KBS Real Estate Investment Trust III</u> (KBS REIT III), a non-traded real estate investment trust based in Newport Beach, California, announced the acquisition of 201 17<sup>th</sup> Street, a Class A development located in the Midtown submarket of Atlanta.

Built in 2007, 201 17<sup>th</sup> Street is a 355,870-square-foot, LEED Gold certified building that serves as the centerpiece office tower of Atlantic Station. The property includes a number of retailers and facilities, including a café and a state-of-the-art conference center. The surrounding neighborhood includes amenities such as a 47,000-square-foot fitness center, an 18-screen movie theater, IKEA, Target and Dillard's.

"We love everything about this building and its location is in an ever growing micro market that is most attractive to tenants," said KBS Regional President Marc DeLuca. "The property offers tenants one of the most modern work environments coupled with an extensive list of amenities both on-site and in the surrounding neighborhood, which provides something unique for tenants and their employees."

The property is located at the intersection of Interstates 75 and 85 in Midtown, one of the premier sites in Atlanta. Additionally, the centralized location provides easy access to the city's art scene including the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Fox Theatre, among others. The building is adjacent to 171 17<sup>th</sup> Street, a 509,237-square-foot Class A office, also acquired by KBS REIT III in 2014.

"We are excited about the acquisition of a property in the midtown submarket because it is Atlanta's leading overall market in terms of growth and absorption," said KBS Senior Vice President Allen Aldridge. "We truly value the Atlanta market and believe it fits our current asset strategy very well."

## **About KBS**

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