



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NOVEMBER 7, 2007

**ARTIS ACQUIRES \$68.3 MILLION OF PROPERTY, CONFIRMS
\$223.8 MILLION MORE IN THE PIPELINE**

Artis Real Estate Investment Trust (“**Artis**” or the “**REIT**”) confirmed today that \$68.3 million of acquisitions, previously announced on August 17, 2007, have now closed. Particulars of the acquisitions are as follows:

Property	Property Type	Location	Leasable Area (000's square feet)	Purchase Price (\$000's)	Closed
Winnipeg Square/Commodity Exchange Tower ⁽¹⁾	Retail/Class A Office	Winnipeg, MB	598	\$40,708	August 29, 2007
Pepco Industrial Building	Industrial	Nisku, AB	20	\$3,560	September 15, 2007
Delta Shoppers Mall	Retail	Delta, BC	75	\$24,000	September 26, 2007
Total			693	\$68,268	

⁽¹⁾ Artis acquired a 38% interest in this 598,000 square foot property.

These properties were acquired at a weighted average year one going-in capitalization rate (“capitalization rate”) of 7.3%. The purchase prices were satisfied with cash and from the proceeds of \$44.2 million of mortgage financing bearing interest at a weighted average rate of 5.45% per annum.

“Our acquisition pipeline remains very strong. As of today's date, Artis has \$97.8 million of properties under unconditional purchase agreements, with an overall capitalization rate of 7.7%,” said Armin Martens, CEO of the REIT. “Based on financing commitments, Artis anticipates that the weighted average interest rate on the financing for the acquisitions will be under 5.7%,” added Mr. Martens. “As well, Artis has entered into conditional agreements or options to purchase a further \$126.0 million of commercial property in Alberta, British Columbia and Manitoba. The capitalization rate is anticipated to be 6.5% on these acquisitions; the weighted average interest rate on financing is estimated to be under 5.7%. We are pleased to report that Artis expects to close these acquisitions before the end of 2007.”

Particulars of the unconditional acquisitions are as follows:

Property	Property Type	Location	Leasable Area (000's square feet)	Occupancy	Year Built /Redeveloped
Glenmore Commerce Court	Office	Calgary, AB	58	100.0%	1977
ADA Industrial Potfolio	Industrial	Winnipeg, MB	950	98.9%	1978/1984
Paramount Building	Office	Calgary, AB	67	99.0%	1978/2002
Leon's Building ⁽¹⁾	Retail	Nanaimo, BC	54	100.0%	1999
Total			1,129	99.1%	

⁽¹⁾ Previously announced on June 12, 2007

Glenmore Commerce Court

Glenmore Commerce Court is a 100% occupied two-story suburban office property located on Glenmore Trail in southeast Calgary. The property includes 91 underground and 85 surface parking stalls, providing an excellent parking ratio of 3 stalls per 1,000 square feet of leasable area. With in-place rents estimated to be 33% below market, management anticipates significant upside potential as leases roll over in this property.

ADA Industrial Portfolio

The ADA Industrial Portfolio is comprised of 16 industrial properties, aggregating a total of 950,000 square feet of leasable area, with the majority located in the well-established St. James Industrial area, in close proximity to the Winnipeg International Airport. The portfolio is currently 98.9% occupied by a variety of local, national, international and government entities. Average in-place rent rates are just \$3.75 per square foot and management estimates that there is excellent upside potential in the near term as below market leases are rolled over at market rents.

Paramount Building

Paramount Building is a five-storey office tower located in the mid-west core submarket of downtown Calgary. Significant capital upgrades have recently been completed in the building; the property also has 47 underground parking stalls, providing an excellent ratio of 1 stall per 1,500 square feet of leasable area. The Paramount Building is almost fully occupied; the major tenant is Birchcliff Energy, with a newly signed 10-year lease with a rental increase in year five. Birchcliff Energy is a publicly traded oil and gas exploration company with a market capitalization of over \$500 million.

Leon's Building

The Leon's Building, which was previously announced as part of the Nanaimo portfolio in a press release dated June 12, 2007, is a 53,953 square foot retail building located in Nanaimo, BC. The Leon's building was constructed in 1999, and is 100% leased to two strong national retailers on long-term leases with contractual rent increases.

Artis is a growth-oriented real estate investment trust focused exclusively on commercial properties located in primary and growing secondary markets in western Canada, particularly in Alberta. The REIT's goal is to provide Unitholders the opportunity to invest in high-quality western Canadian office, retail and industrial properties, as well as to provide monthly cash distributions that are stable, tax efficient, and growing over time.

Including all of the proposed acquisitions (conditional and unconditional), Artis will own or have an ownership interest in approximately \$1.1 billion of commercial property; the REIT's proportionate share will be approximately 6.3 million square feet of the total leasable area in 84 properties. Leasable area will be approximately 31.1% in Manitoba, 6.6% in Saskatchewan, 55.4% in Alberta, and 6.9% in B.C.; by asset class the portfolio will be 31.4% retail, 43.3% office and 25.3% industrial.

The REIT's Distribution Reinvestment Plan ("DRIP") allows Unitholders to have their monthly cash distributions used to purchase trust units without incurring commission or brokerage fees, and receive bonus units equal to 4% of their monthly cash distributions. More information can be obtained at www.artisreit.com.

This press release contains forward-looking statements. For this purpose, any statements contained herein that are not statements of historical fact may be deemed to be forward-looking statements. Without limiting the foregoing, the words "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "estimates", "projects", and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Artis is subject to significant risks and uncertainties which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the REIT to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied in these forward-looking statements. Such risk factors include, but are not limited to, risks associated with real property ownership, availability of cash flow, general uninsured losses, future

property acquisitions, environmental matters, tax related matters, debt financing, unitholder liability, potential conflicts of interest, potential dilution, reliance on key personnel, changes in legislation and proposed changes in the tax treatment of trusts. Artis cannot assure investors that actual results will be consistent with any forward-looking statements and Artis assumes no obligation to update or revise such forward-looking statements to reflect actual events or new circumstances. All forward-looking statements contained in this press release are qualified by this cautionary statement.

For further information please contact Mr. Armin Martens, President and Chief Executive Officer of the REIT or Mr. Jim Green, Chief Financial Officer of the REIT at (204) 947-1250 or Ms. Kirsty Stevens, Senior Vice President - Investor Relations.

The Toronto Stock Exchange does not accept responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this press release.

Suite 300 – 360 Main Street, Winnipeg, MB R3C 3Z3
T 204.947.1250 F 204.947.0453
www.artisreit.com
AX.UN on the TSX