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**KBS Strategic Opportunity REIT Signs 18,438 Sq. Ft.  
in Leases at The Plaza Buildings**

BELLEVUE, Wash., (July 14, 2014) – [KBS Strategic Opportunity REIT](#), a public non-traded real estate investment trust based in Newport Beach, Calif., announces 18,438 square-feet in leases signed at [The Plaza Buildings](#) in downtown Bellevue, Wash. The Plaza Buildings, comprised of the 345,586 square-foot Plaza Center and the 144,510 square-foot US Bank Plaza, are located on NE 8<sup>th</sup> Street in Bellevue’s CBD and were acquired by KBS Strategic Opportunity REIT in January 2014.

Tim Owens, Scotta Ashcraft and Tom Bohman of CBRE represented KBS Strategic Opportunity REIT in each of the leases: Pointmarc signed a 10,736-square-foot lease at US Bank Plaza; Applause signed a 3,215-square-foot lease at Plaza Center; Tailored Mail signed a 2,261-square-foot lease there; and Alten signed a 2,226-square-foot lease, also at Plaza Center. Trevor Youngren of Cushman & Wakefield brokered the deal for Pointmarc; Justin Johnson of CBRE represented Applause and Tailored Mail; and Bob Hentges of Advisors NW represented Alten.

The Plaza Buildings are in close proximity to shopping, dining, and residential accommodations. The buildings also are one block from the Bellevue Transit Center Station and are close to the Bravern, a hub for luxury dining, shopping and entertainment. Both buildings have achieved LEED-EB Silver certification, a certification that recognizes best-in-class building strategies and practices, and have recently undergone upgrades and renovations. Additional renovations are in the works including improvements to both buildings’ multi-tenant floor common areas, and an expanded fitness center.

“Bellevue is a fast-growing region with a diversified economy that we feel the Plaza Buildings will benefit from,” said KBS Senior VP Jeff Rader. “The new improvements that are planned in the Bellevue area will likely go a long way towards meeting the needs of Bellevue’s tenants.”

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Also in the region, KBS Strategic Opportunity REIT owns the [Bellevue Technology Center](#), a nine-building, 330,508-square-foot office property in Bellevue. KBS-affiliated companies own [North Creek Parkway Center](#), a 205,707-square-foot office and laboratory campus in Bothell, Wash.; and the 240,948-square-foot [Ridgewood Corporate Square](#) office complex, also in Bellevue.

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