Boston Properties Completes the Acquisition of 125 West 55th Street

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BOSTON, Aug. 13 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Boston Properties, Inc. (NYSE: BXP), a real estate investment trust, announced today that it has completed the previously announced acquisition of 125 West 55th Street in New York City from an affiliate of Macklowe Properties. The purchase price for 125 West 55th Street was approximately \$444.0 million, including the assumption of an aggregate principal amount of \$263.5 million of secured and mezzanine loans having a weighted-average fixed interest rate of 6.31% per annum, all of which mature in March 2010.

The acquisition was completed through a joint venture among Boston Properties, US Real Estate Opportunities I, L.P., which is a partnership managed by Goldman Sachs, and Meraas Capital LLC, a Dubai-based private equity firm. Boston Properties has a 60% interest in the venture and will provide customary property management and leasing services for the venture. Boston Properties expects to account for its investment in the joint venture under the equity method of accounting rather than on a consolidated basis.

125 West 55th Street is a 23-story building, spanning from 55th to 56th Streets between Avenue of the Americas and Seventh Avenue, that contains approximately 591,000 rentable square feet.

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Boston Properties is a fully integrated, self-administered and self- managed real estate investment trust that develops, redevelops, acquires, manages, operates and owns a diverse portfolio consisting primarily of Class A office properties and one hotel. The Company is one of the largest owners and developers of Class A office properties in the United States, concentrated in five select markets - Boston, Midtown Manhattan, Washington, D.C., San Francisco, and Princeton, N.J. Visit the Company's web site at http://www.bostonproperties.com.

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