



## INVESTOR PACK





Please read and respond to ensure you receive your full distributions. All Unitholders must submit a valid U.S. tax form to avoid U.S. withholding tax.





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### **ABOUT MANULIFE US REIT**

Manulife US Real Estate Investment Trust ("Manulife US REIT") is the first pure-play United States ("U.S.") office REIT to be listed in Asia. The REIT was listed on 20 May 2016 on the Mainboard of Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited with a market capitalisation of US\$519.2 million.

Manulife US REIT is a Singapore REIT established with the investment strategy principally to invest, directly or indirectly, in a portfolio of income-producing office real estate in key markets in the U.S., as well as real estate-related assets.

### **ABOUT THE MANAGER**

The Manager of Manulife US REIT (the "Manager") is Manulife US Real Estate Management Pte. Ltd., an indirect whollyowned subsidiary of The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company.

The Manager's key financial objectives are to provide Unitholders with regular and stable distributions and to achieve long term growth in DPU and NAV per Unit, while maintaining an appropriate capital structure.



### PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION ACT

For the purposes of the Personal Data Protection Act 2012 of Singapore ("PDPA"), you have consented and acknowledged that all Personal Data (as defined in the PDPA) provided by you to the Manager, DBS Trustee Limited, the trustee of Manulife US REIT (the "Trustee"), Manulife US REIT or any of their respective agents, may be collected, used, disclosed or otherwise processed in order for the Manager, the Trustee, Manulife US REIT or any of their respective agents, to carry out their respective duties and obligations in relation to any investment by you into Manulife US REIT, for each of the purposes set out herein or as may be permitted by the PDPA.

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW AS A UNITHOLDER

#### YOUR TAX OBLIGATIONS

For listed securities which derive income in the U.S., the U.S. Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") requires certain documentation from the ultimate beneficial owner to ensure the appropriate level of withholding tax is deducted.

Unitholders of Manulife US REIT ("Unitholders") are subject to a maximum withholding tax rate of 30% on income they derive from U.S. investments. Hence, Unitholders must comply with certain documentation requirements in order to be exempted from certain withholding tax under the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "IRC"), including under the United States Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act ("FATCA").

Specifically, Unitholders must establish their status for FATCA purposes and their eligibility for exemption from U.S. withholding tax on certain interest income earned by Manulife US REIT by providing an applicable U.S. IRS Form W-8 or such other certification or other information related to FATCA that is requested from time to time.

Unitholders must also provide updates of any changes to their status for FATCA purposes including information relating to their name, address, citizenship, personal identification number or tax identification number, tax residencies, and tax status. If a Unitholder fails to provide or to update relevant information necessary for compliance with U.S. tax withholding requirements, including FATCA, or provide inaccurate, incomplete or false information, amounts payable by Manulife US REIT to Unitholder may be subject to deduction or withholding in accordance with U.S. tax law and any intergovernmental agreements.

### **RESTRICTION ON OWNERSHIP OF UNITS**

Unitholders are prohibited from directly or indirectly owning in excess of 9.8% of the outstanding Units ("Unit Ownership Limit"), subject to any increase or waiver pursuant to the terms of Manulife US REIT's Trust Deed and on the recommendation of the Manager.

The Trust Deed provides that Units held directly or indirectly by any person in excess of the Unit Ownership Limit will be automatically forfeited and held by the Trustee ("Automatic Forfeiture"). While forfeited Units are held by the Trustee, all rights attributable to those Units, such as the right to vote and the right to receive distributions, will be held by the Trustee; the Unitholder from whom the Units are forfeited shall have no right to vote or receive distributions arising from such Units.

The Trustee will have the right and power to dispose of Units subject to Automatic Forfeiture, and upon such disposal the Unitholder from whom the Units are forfeited will receive the proceeds (net of any commissions and expenses) from the disposition. If there is an excess in the disposal price of the forfeited Units above the price paid by such Unitholder for the same forfeited Units, the excess shall be donated by the Trustee to a charitable, philanthropic or benevolent organisation or purpose.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Automatic Forfeiture is effective automatically, whether or not the Trustee or the Manager is aware of the change in ownership or aware of the fact that the Unit Ownership Limit has been breached. Unitholders are advised to manage their interests in the Units so as not to breach the Unit Ownership Limit and trigger the Automatic Forfeiture.

### **CURRENCY ELECTION**

Distributions will be declared in U.S. dollars. Unitholders will receive their distributions in the Singapore dollars equivalent of the U.S. dollars declared, unless they elect to receive the relevant distribution in U.S. dollars by submitting a Currency Election Form by the relevant cut-off date.

Save for approved depository agents (acting as nominees of their customers), Unitholders may elect to receive their entire distributions in Singapore dollars or U.S. dollars and shall not be able to elect to receive distributions in a combination of Singapore dollars and U.S. dollars.

### FORMS W-8BEN AND W-9 AT A GLANCE

### FORM W-8BEN

Certifies the individual is the beneficial owner of the account

This would include the majority of individual Unitholders in Singapore, who are not conducting any trade or business in the U.S., and classified as non-U.S. persons

Remains in effect for a period starting on the date the Form W-8BEN is signed and ending on the last day of the third succeeding calendar year. For example, a Form W-8BEN signed on 30 September 2019 remains valid through 31 December 2022

Unitholders must provide updates of any change to their status for FATCA purposes including information relating to their name, address, citizenship, personal identification number or tax identification number, tax residencies, and tax status

### FORM W-9

Filed by U.S. persons

U.S. persons to provide Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) for reporting purposes

Does not expire unless individual has a change in circumstances

Unitholders that are U.S. persons or that are entities disregarded as separate from a U.S. person for U.S. federal income tax purposes must provide a Form W-9. Further details on how to complete a Form W-9 are available on the U.S. Internal Revenue Service website at http://www.irs.gov

For more information, please refer to our website at www.manulifeusreit.sg or Appendix I in the prospectus of Manulife US REIT dated 12 May 2016 and registered by the Monetary Authority of Singapore on 12 May 2016

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# INSTRUCTIONS FOR FORM W-8BEN COMPLETION

	Form <b>W-8BEN</b> (Rev. July 2017)		Status of Beneficia olding and Reportin luals. Entities must use For	g (Individuals)	OMB No. 1545-1621	
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Please submit the original signed document. Photocopies are not permissible.

No alternations or correction fluid is accepted.

Any amendments will lead to the rejection of the form.

For your easy reference, we have attached the forms that you need to complete. Sign and return them to the Unit Registrar using the enclosed local postage-paid envelope.

The sample information provided in this Investor Pack is to assist you in completing the forms and does not constitute legal, financial or tax advice. Unitholders should seek independent professional advice in respect of your specific circumstances.

For more information, please refer to our website's Tax Information section (http://investor.manulifeusreit.sg/tax\_info.html).

#### Notes:

- 1 CDP refers to The Central Depository (Pte) Limited. 2 NRIC refers to National Registration Identity Card.

# SAMPLE OF A COMPLETED W-8BEN FORM

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# IMPORTANT CHECKLIST FOR UNITHOLDERS

## **STEP 1:** FILL OUT FORMS



### **NON-U.S. PERSON:**

- 1. Form W-8BEN
- 2. Currency Election Form

### **U.S. PERSON:**

- 1. Form W-9
- 2. Currency Election Form



Please download Form W-9 from: https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf

## **STEP 2: SEEK ASSISTANCE**



For assistance, refer to sample form or call hotline from 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays

**1800 238 0222** (toll free hotline)

**+65 6238 0222** (from overseas)

## **STEP 3:** RETURN FORM



Mail back forms before stipulated date on letter using local postage-paid envelope provided

### **CHECK LIST**

### **NON-U.S. PERSON:**

- 1. Form W-8BEN
- 2. Currency Election Form

### **U.S. PERSON:**

- 1. Form W-9
- 2. Currency Election Form

### For example:



