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pbb provides £81 million financing to Harbert European Real Estate Fund IV

- Facility finances acquisition of Eastgate Shopping Centre in Inverness, Scotland

Munich/London, 20 August 2015 – pbb Deutsche Pfandbriefbank has provided a £81 million facility to a subsidiary of Harbert European Real Estate Fund IV, LP which is advised by Harbert European Fund Advisors Limited. It closed in August 2015.

The facility finances the acquisition of a regional shopping centre located in the city of Inverness, Scotland. The centre was developed in two phases with a major extension opening in 2002. The site is immediately adjacent to Inverness railway station and current occupancy is at almost 100%.

Charles Balch, Head of Real Estate Finance International, UK & CEE at pbb Deutsche Pfandbriefbank, said: “We are delighted to be providing financing to Harbert for their purchase of this shopping centre. Harbert is an existing client of the bank and the deal shows the Bank’s commitment to support Harbert’s expansion plans. Equally, the subject transaction represents further expansion of the Bank’s portfolio secured on regional assets and evidences pbb’s appetite to provide financing for assets outside London.”

Scott O’Donnell, Senior Managing Director of Harbert Management Corporation (Europe) LLC said: “The Eastgate Shopping Centre is a dominant institutional quality asset that will deliver solid cash-on-cash returns from acquisition whilst offering significant potential upside going forward. We are pleased to work again with pbb Deutsche Pfandbriefbank who have been supportive of our strategy of acquiring well located defensive assets.”

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