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EastGroup Properties Announces Recent Business Activity and Participation in Upcoming Conferences

JACKSON, Miss., Nov. 14, 2024 /PRNewswire/ -- **EastGroup Properties, Inc. (NYSE: EGP)** (the "Company", "we", "us" or "EastGroup") announced today its recent business activity.

In November, EastGroup acquired Riverpoint Industrial Park, which contains three industrial buildings totaling 779,000 square feet in Atlanta, for approximately \$88,000,000. This property was developed in 2020 and is 100% leased to six tenants. This acquisition increased the Company's ownership of operating properties in Atlanta to approximately 2,246,000 square feet, which is currently 98.1% leased.

Also, in November, EastGroup is scheduled to close on a property containing four industrial buildings, which are currently 100% leased in the Dallas market, for approximately \$77,000,000.

As previously announced, during October, the Company acquired approximately 26 acres of development land, known as Station 24 Commerce Center Land, in the Nashville market for approximately \$10,100,000. The site is expected to accommodate the future development of four buildings totaling approximately 350,000 square feet.

As of November 13, 2024, EastGroup's portfolio was 96.3% leased and 95.7% occupied. During the fourth quarter of 2024 to date, 1,208,000 square feet of new and renewal leases were signed with rental rate increases averaging 53.1% on a straight-line basis and 30.9% on a cash basis.

In Charlotte, Conn's Inc. rejected their lease of 300,000 square feet effective October 31, 2024, as part of the Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings. They were current on rent as of the termination date. The space is divisible and their rent was approximately 20% below market.

During the fourth quarter of 2024 to date, EastGroup sold 876,709 shares of common stock directly through its sales agents under its continuous common equity offering program at a weighted average price of \$174.22 per share, providing aggregate net proceeds to the Company of approximately \$151,000,000. In addition, during the fourth quarter of 2024 to date, EastGroup entered into forward equity sale agreements with respect to 642,740 shares of common stock with an initial weighted average forward price of \$175.12 per share and approximate gross sales proceeds of \$113,000,000, based on the initial forward price.

Commenting on the Company's activity, Marshall Loeb, CEO, stated, "We continue to be pleased by the resiliency of the Sunbelt, shallow bay industrial market. We are excited to add new high-quality investments in Atlanta and Dallas to the portfolio. Looking ahead, we are excited to see the market environment being created by the rapid decline in the industrial construction pipeline. To take advantage of the potential opportunities and keep raising our portfolio quality, we continue increasing the strength and flexibility of our balance sheet."

Management is scheduled to participate in Nareit's REITworld: 2024 Annual Conference in Las Vegas, November 18-21, 2024. Conference registration is available at www.reit.com. During the conference, EastGroup executives may discuss the Company's transaction activity, leasing environment, market trends and conditions, financial matters and other business that may be affecting the Company. Presentation materials that may be referenced during the EastGroup presentations are available on the "Investor Relations" page of the Company's website.

About EastGroup Properties, Inc.

EastGroup, a member of the S&P Mid-Cap 400 and Russell 1000 Indexes, is a self-administered equity real estate investment trust focused on the development, acquisition and operation of industrial properties in major

Sunbelt markets throughout the United States with an emphasis in the states of Florida, Texas, Arizona, California and North Carolina. The Company's goal is to maximize shareholder value by being a leading provider in its markets of functional, flexible and quality business distribution space for location sensitive customers (primarily in the 20,000 to 100,000 square foot range). The Company's strategy for growth is based on ownership of premier distribution facilities generally clustered near major transportation features in supply-constrained submarkets. EastGroup's portfolio, including development projects and value-add acquisitions in lease-up and under construction, currently includes approximately 61.3 million square feet. EastGroup Properties, Inc. press releases are available at www.eastgroup.net.

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