

### Tax Status of Dividends and Distributions for 2016

The tax character of the dividends and distributions paid by Stellus Capital Investment Corporation (the "Company") during 2016 is set forth below. For tax purposes, the Company is a regulated investment company and is designating the tax character of dividends and distributions you received as a stockholder for fiscal year 2016 in accordance with Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Declaration Date	Record Date	Payable Date	Amount Per Share	Qualified Dividend Amount Per Share	Non-Qualified Dividend Amount Per Share	Long Term Capital Gains Amount Per Share	Return of Capital Amount Per Share
<b>2016</b>							
01/13/16	01/29/16	02/15/16	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ -
01/13/16	02/29/16	03/15/16	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ -
01/13/16	03/31/16	04/15/16	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ -
04/15/16	04/29/16	05/13/16	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ -
04/15/16	05/31/16	06/15/16	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ -
04/15/16	06/30/16	07/15/16	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ -
07/07/16	07/29/16	08/15/16	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ -
07/07/16	08/31/16	09/15/16	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ -
07/07/16	09/30/16	10/14/16	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ -
10/07/16	10/31/16	11/15/16	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ -
10/07/16	11/30/16	12/15/16	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ -
10/07/16	12/30/16	01/13/17	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ 0.1133	\$ -	\$ -

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