



## **Bentall Kennedy Releases its 2017 Sustainability Report Showcasing its Leadership in Environmental Stewardship**

**Toronto (July 10, 2017)** – Bentall Kennedy released its 2017 Sustainability Report Summary today, entitled *Invest Soundly + Sustainably*, showcasing industry-leading practices for sustainable investment, management, and development in real estate. The report examines many of Bentall Kennedy’s properties across North America and their role in shaping communities as part of a living, breathing ecosystem challenged with combatting climate change in our increasingly fragile environment.

“We are investing in the future with an emboldened commitment to leading the way in sustainability, looking beyond the building and into the surrounding community spaces that impact our quality of life,” said Gary Whitelaw, Chief Executive Officer, Bentall Kennedy. “We believe we can help our clients generate tremendous economic value while giving new life and purpose to the structures that will contribute to the sustainability of our cities for generations to come.”

Sustainable investing is an important foundation of Bentall Kennedy’s client strategies, designed to generate stable, long term performance. Research commissioned by Bentall Kennedy found office buildings with green certifications generally benefit from lower operating costs, higher renewal rates and tenant satisfaction, and better financial performance than their uncertified peers. At the heart of Bentall Kennedy’s investment approach is a commitment to choosing and creating vibrant communities that act as magnets for talented people who want to live, work and play in communities offering a sustainable lifestyle.

“Embracing a shared goal of sustainability strengthens the cities and neighborhoods where we invest. Real estate plays a central role in the creation of vibrant communities, and the reverse is also true — the vitality and growth of a neighborhood is a determining factor in a building’s success,” said Anna Murray, Vice President, Sustainability at Bentall Kennedy.

Learn more about Bentall Kennedy’s approach to sustainability by visiting: [cr.bentallkennedy.com](http://cr.bentallkennedy.com)

### **About Bentall Kennedy**

Bentall Kennedy, a Sun Life Investment Management company, is one of the largest global real estate investment advisors and one of North America’s foremost providers of real estate services. Bentall Kennedy serves the interests of more than 550 institutional clients with expertise in office, retail, industrial and multi-residential assets throughout Canada and the U.S. Bentall Kennedy’s Investment Management group has approximately \$47.5 billion (CAD)/\$35 billion (USD) of assets under management (as of March 31, 2017). Bentall



Kennedy is one of the largest real estate services providers in Canada, managing 58 million square feet on behalf of third-party and investment management clients (as of March 31, 2017). Bentall Kennedy is a member of UN PRI and a recognized Responsible Property Investing leader ranked among the top firms around the globe in the Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB) for the sixth consecutive year since GRESB was launched.

Bentall Kennedy includes Bentall Kennedy (Canada) Limited Partnership, Bentall Kennedy (U.S.) Limited Partnership and the real estate and commercial mortgage investment groups of certain of their affiliates, all of which comprise a team of real estate professionals spanning multiple legal entities. The assets under management shown above include real estate equity and mortgage investments of the companies within Bentall Kennedy. For more information, visit [www.bentallkennedy.com](http://www.bentallkennedy.com).

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