

## The United Nations Principles for Responsible Investing scores Bentall Kennedy among the top institutional investors in the world for 2017

**Toronto (September 14, 2017)** – In an annual review of approximately 1,750 signatories from over 50 countries, the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (UNPRI) placed Bentall Kennedy among the top institutional investors in the world. Following Bentall Kennedy's recent ranking as a top three diversified private company in the world by the Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB), Bentall Kennedy received A+ and A ratings from UNPRI in the Strategy & Governance and Property focus areas respectively. UNPRI issues grades that are reflective of the signatory's commitment to incorporating environmental and social governance issues into investment and ownership decisions.

"This recognition from the UNPRI truly reflects our collective vision at Bentall Kennedy to build long-term, sustainable value for our clients, firmly rooted in responsible investment practices," said Gary Whitelaw, Chief Executive Officer for Bentall Kennedy. "Investing with an eye to the social and environmental well-being of communities is always sound investment practice. We are proud to uphold these values and demonstrate our commitment within the global investor community."

Signatories to the principles of the UNPRI, the world's leading proponent of responsible investment, represent US\$70 trillion of global investment. In the Strategy & Governance focus area, Bentall Kennedy was assessed an A+ on its overall approach to responsible investment policy and its approach to collaboration on responsible investment and public related issues. In the Property focus area, Bentall Kennedy received an A grade for its responsible investment implementation during fundraising and throughout its investment processes.

To learn more about Bentall Kennedy's commitment to environmental and social governance please visit: <a href="http://cr.bentallkennedy.com">http://cr.bentallkennedy.com</a>

## **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 \$46 billion (CAD)/\$36 billion (USD) of assets under management (as of June 30, 2017). Bentall Kennedy is also 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 June 30, 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 seventh 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. The information in this press release does not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy securities or investment services.

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