

ASSOCIATED ESTATES REALTY CORP  
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**Associated Estates Realty Corporation**

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

**Land & Buildings Investment Management, LLC**

**Land & Buildings Capital Growth Fund, L.P.**

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On December 29, 2014, Land & Buildings Investment Management, LLC and its affiliates issued a press release responding to the appointment of Douglas Crocker to the Board of Directors of Associated Estates Realty Corporation (the "Company"). A copy of the press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 1.

Information regarding the Participants in a solicitation of proxies of the shareholders of the Company in connection with the 2015 annual meeting of shareholders is filed herewith as Exhibit 2.