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## Sponsor undertakings further demonstrate long-term support towards Croesus Retail Trust

**Singapore, 23 June 2016** – Croesus Retail Asset Management Pte. Ltd. (the "Trustee-Manager"), in its capacity as trustee-manager of Croesus Retail Trust ("CRT" or the "Trust"), wishes to announce that CRT has received a number of undertakings from Mr Jim Chang Cheng-Wen (the Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director of the Trustee-Manager) and Mr Yong Chao Hsien Jeremy (Non-Executive Director of the Trustee-Manager) in relation to the proposed internalisation of the Trustee-Manager ("Internalisation"), previously announced on 12 June 2016. These undertakings are provided in addition to the sub-underwriting obligations of Evertrust Asset Management Pte. Ltd. ("Evertrust") in relation to the preferential offering units and the service agreements with Mr Jim Chang Cheng-Wen and Mr Yong Chao Hsien Jeremy which will take effect post-Internalisation.

In order to further demonstrate their continuing commitment to CRT, and to further align their interests with all unitholders, Mr Chang and Mr Yong have given the following undertakings:

- To acquire, from the open market before 30 June 2017, units amounting to at least S\$16.0 million<sup>1</sup> (which represents approximately 50.0% of the purchase consideration for the Trustee-Manager that the Sponsor, Croesus Merchants International Pte. Ltd. has an effective interest in), less the aggregate of (A) 64.0% of the total purchase consideration paid by Evertrust for the preferential offering units that it sub-underwrites pursuant to the sub-underwriting agreement and (B) the aggregate value of all the units which are held by themselves and/or the Sponsor on the date of completion of the Internalisation ("Completion Date");
- To lock up until 30 June 2018, all existing units held by themselves and/or the Sponsor on the Completion Date, all units sub-underwritten by Evertrust and transferred to themselves

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Evertrust Asset Management Pte. Ltd., the sole shareholder of the Trustee-Manager is (i) 80.0% owned by Croesus Partners Pte. Ltd. ("**Croesus Partners**"), (ii) 10.0% owned by Daiwa House Industry Co., Ltd and (iii) 10.0% owned by Marubeni Corporation. Croesus Partners is in turn 80.0% owned by the Sponsor and 20.0% owned by JM Capital *Kabushiki Kaisha*. Therefore, the effective interest that the Sponsor will have in the purchase consideration is 64.0%. The Sponsor is in turn owned by Mr Jim Chang Cheng-Wen and Mr Yong Chao Hsien Jeremy in the proportions of 51.0% and 49.0%, respectively, and their obligations under the Sponsor Undertakings are several and proportionate to their respective percentage shareholdings in the Sponsor (being at least S\$8.16 million and at least S\$7.84 million, respectively).



and/or the Sponsor and all units acquired by themselves and/or the Sponsor from the open market after the Completion Date (collectively, the "Lock-up Units"); and

• To lock up until 30 June 2020, 50% of the Lock-up Units.

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## **About Croesus Retail Trust**

Croesus Retail Trust ("CRT") is the first SGX-listed Asia-Pacific retail business trust with a portfolio located in Japan. CRT is principally focused on investing in a diversified portfolio of predominantly retail real estate assets located in the Asia Pacific region, with an initial focus on Japan. CRT currently has eleven retail properties in Japan – Aeon Town Moriya, Aeon Town Suzuka, Croesus Shinsaibashi, Croesus Tachikawa, Feeeal Asahikawa, Fuji Grand Natalie, Luz Omori, Mallage Saga, Mallage Shobu, One's Mall, and Torius – out of which five are located in the Greater Tokyo area. CRT's portfolio of assets in Japan allows it to create a core portfolio of stable income generating assets that serves as a foundation for CRT to pursue development and acquisition opportunities in the Asia-Pacific region, including Japan, to generate long-term capital value and long-term returns. CRT was awarded by FinanceAsia as 'Best Small-cap Company in Singapore' in its Best Managed Companies Poll for 2014. CRT is part of the FTSE ST Small Cap Index and the TR/GPR/APREA Composite Index. For more information on CRT, please visit <u>www.croesusretailtrust.com</u>.

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