

DIGITALBRIDGE ANNOUNCES FOURTH QUARTER & FULL-YEAR 2022 FINANCIAL RESULTS

Boca Raton, February 24, 2023 - DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (NYSE: DBRG) and subsidiaries (collectively, "DigitalBridge," or the "Company") today announced financial results for the fourth quarter and full-year ended December 31, 2022.

A Fourth Quarter 2022 Earnings Presentation and a Supplemental Financial Report are available in the Events & Presentations and Financial Information sections, respectively, of the Shareholders tab on the Company's website at www.digitalbridge.com. This information has also been furnished to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in a Current Report on Form 8-K.

Marc Ganzi, CEO of DigitalBridge, said "We are pleased to report a solid quarter of fundamental performance to close out 2022. Last year, we exceeded our fundraising targets for the year, firmly established the asset management platform as our growth driver through a series of strategic transactions, and most importantly, continued to support the growth of our resilient portfolio companies. As we look ahead to 2023, we remain focused on forming capital around the best investment opportunities in digital infrastructure and finalizing the simplification of our business profile to a scalable, asset-light investment manager levered to the powerful secular tailwinds in digital infra."

The Company reported fourth quarter 2022 total revenues of \$301 million, GAAP net loss attributable to common stockholders of \$(19) million, or \$(0.12) per share, and Distributable Earnings of \$(11) million, or \$(0.07) per share, and full-year 2022 total revenues of \$1.1 billion, GAAP net loss attributable to common stockholders of \$(382) million, or \$(2.47) per share, and Distributable Earnings of \$37 million, or \$0.22 per share.

Fourth quarter 2022 net loss and DE included a \$53 million non-cash valuation allowance against deferred tax assets ("DTAs") of a subsidiary of the Company.

Common and Preferred Dividends

On January 17, 2023, the Company paid a cash dividend of \$0.01 per common share to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 31, 2022; and paid cash dividends with respect to each series of the Company's cumulative redeemable perpetual preferred stock in accordance with the terms of such series, as follows: Series H preferred stock: \$0.4453125 per share; Series I preferred stock: \$0.446875 per share; and Series J preferred stock: \$0.4453125 per share, to the respective stockholders of record on January 10, 2023.

On February 17, 2023, the Company's Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.01 per common share to be paid on April 17, 2023 to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 31, 2023; and declared cash dividends with respect to each series of the Company's cumulative redeemable perpetual preferred stock in accordance with the terms of such series, as follows: Series H preferred stock: \$0.4453125 per share; Series I preferred stock: \$0.446875 per share; and Series J preferred stock: \$0.4453125 per share, which will be paid on April 17, 2023 to the respective stockholders of record on April 12, 2023.

Fourth Quarter & Full-Year 2022 Conference Call

The Company will conduct an earnings conference call and presentation to discuss the Fourth Quarter & Full-Year 2022 financial results on Friday, February 24, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time (ET). The earnings presentation will be broadcast live over the Internet and a webcast link can be accessed on the Shareholders section of the Company's website at ir.digitalbridge.com/events. To participate in the event by telephone, please dial (877) 407-4018 ten minutes prior to the start time (to allow time for registration). International callers should dial (201) 689-8471.

For those unable to participate during the live call, a replay will be available starting February 24, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. ET. To access the replay, dial (844) 512-2921 (U.S.), and use passcode 13735816. International callers should dial (412) 317-6671 and enter the same conference ID number.

About DigitalBridge Group, Inc.

DigitalBridge (NYSE: DBRG) is a leading global digital infrastructure firm. With a heritage of over 25 years investing in and operating businesses across the digital ecosystem including cell towers, data centers, fiber, small cells, and edge infrastructure, the DigitalBridge team manages a \$65 billion portfolio of digital infrastructure assets on behalf of its limited partners and shareholders. Headquartered in Boca Raton, DigitalBridge has key offices in New York, Los Angeles, London, Luxembourg and Singapore. For more information, visit: www.digitalbridge.com.



Fourth Quarter 2022 Valuation Allowance

Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 740, Income Taxes, provides a framework for evaluating whether the establishment of a valuation allowance against DTAs is necessary. Following this guidance, the Company evaluated positive and negative evidence, to which more weight is given to evidence which can be objectively verified, and the more negative evidence that exists, the more positive evidence is necessary and the more difficult it is to support a conclusion that a valuation allowance is not required. A significant piece of objective negative evidence is the cumulative net operating loss the Company incurred over the three-year period ended December 31, 2022, which was largely a product of the prior three-year transition in the Company's business to an investment manager focused on digital infrastructure. The Company's historical cumulative net operating loss and the absence of tax planning strategies represented objective evidence which limited the ability of the Company to consider other subjective evidence, such as the Company's projections for growth and earnings in future years.

In future periods, this valuation allowance will be reversed as a deferred tax benefit when the realizability of all or some portion of these DTAs are achieved.

As of December 31, 2022, the Company had \$359 million gross, or \$88 million tax-effected, in U.S. NOL carryforwards attributable to U.S. federal losses incurred after December 31, 2017 which can be carried forward indefinitely.

Given the availability of significant capital loss and NOL carryforwards, the Company's transition from a REIT to a taxable C Corporation, in and of itself, did not result in significant incremental current income tax expense in 2022. The Company's primary source of income subject to tax remains its investment management business, which was already subject to tax previously through its taxable REIT subsidiary.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. Forward-looking statements relate to expectations, beliefs, projections, future plans and strategies, anticipated events or trends and similar expressions concerning matters that are not historical facts. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "may," "will," "should," "expects," "intends," "plans," "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "predicts," or "potential" or the negative of these words and phrases or similar words or phrases which are predictions of or indicate future events or trends and which do not relate solely to historical matters. You can also identify forward-looking statements by discussions of strategy, plans or intentions.

Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions and contingencies, many of which are beyond the Company's control, and may cause the Company's actual results to differ significantly from those expressed in any forward-looking statement. Factors that might cause such a difference include, without limitation, our ability to grow our business by raising capital for our funds and the companies that we manage; our position as an owner, operator and investment manager of digital infrastructure and our ability to manage any related conflicts of interest; adverse changes in general economic and political conditions, including those resulting from supply chain difficulties, inflation, interest rate increases, a potential economic slowdown or a recession; our exposure to business risks in Europe, Asia and other foreign markets; our ability to obtain and maintain financing arrangements, including securitizations, on favorable or comparable terms or at all: the ability of our managed companies to attract and retain key customers and to provide reliable services without disruption; the reliance of our managed companies on third-party suppliers for power, network connectivity and certain other services; our ability to increase assets under management ("AUM") and expand our existing and new investment strategies; our ability to integrate and maintain consistent standards and controls, including our ability to manage our acquisitions in the digital infrastructure and investment management industries effectively; our business and investment strategy, including the ability of the businesses in which we have significant investments to execute their business strategies; performance of our investments relative to our expectations and the impact on our actual return on invested equity, as well as the cash provided by these investments and available for distribution; our ability to deploy capital into new investments consistent with our investment management strategies; the availability of, and competition for, attractive investment opportunities and the earnings profile of such new investments; our ability to achieve any of the anticipated benefits of certain joint ventures, including any ability for such ventures to create and/or distribute new investment products; our expected hold period for our assets and the impact of any changes in our expectations on the carrying value of such assets; the general volatility of the securities markets in which we participate; the market value of our assets; interest rate mismatches between our assets and any borrowings used to fund such assets; effects of hedging instruments on our assets; the impact of economic conditions on third parties on which we rely; the impact of any security incident or deficiency affecting our systems or network or the system and network of any of our managed companies or service providers; any litigation and contractual claims against us and our affiliates, including potential settlement and litigation of such claims; our levels of leverage; the impact of legislative, regulatory and competitive changes, including those related to privacy and data protection; the impact of our transition from a real estate investment trust ("REIT") to a taxable C corporation for tax purposes, and the related liability for corporate and other taxes; whether we will be able to utilize existing tax attributes to offset taxable income to the extent contemplated; our ability to maintain our exemption from registration as an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"); changes in our board of directors or management team, and availability of qualified personnel; our ability to make or maintain distributions to our stockholders; and our understanding of and ability to successfully navigate the competitive landscape in which we and our managed companies



operate and other risks and uncertainties, including those detailed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021 and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2022, June 30, 2022 and September 30, 2022, each under the heading "Risk Factors," as such factors may be updated from time to time in the Company's subsequent periodic filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). All forward-looking statements reflect the Company's good faith beliefs, assumptions and expectations, but they are not guarantees of future performance. Additional information about these and other factors can be found in the Company's reports filed from time to time with the SEC.

The Company cautions investors not to unduly rely on any forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this presentation. The Company is under no duty to update any of these forward-looking statements after the date of this press release, nor to conform prior statements to actual results or revised expectations, and the Company does not intend to do so

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(FINANCIAL TABLES FOLLOW)



CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In thousands, except per share data)

	Dec	cember 31, 2022	December 31, 2021		
		(unaudited)			
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	918,254	\$	1,602,102	
Restricted cash		118,485		99,121	
Real estate, net		5,921,298		4,972,284	
Equity and debt investments		1,322,050		935,153	
Loans receivable		137,945		173,921	
Goodwill		761,368		761,368	
Deferred leasing costs and intangible assets, net		1,092,167		1,187,627	
Other assets		654,050		740,395	
Due from affiliates		45,360		49,230	
Assets held for disposition		57,526		3,676,615	
Total assets	\$	11,028,503	\$	14,197,816	
Liabilities					
Debt, net	\$	5,156,140	\$	4,860,402	
Accrued and other liabilities		1,272,096		943,801	
Intangible liabilities, net		29,824		33,301	
Liabilities related to assets held for disposition		380		3,088,699	
Total liabilities		6,458,440		8,926,203	
Commitments and contingencies					
Redeemable noncontrolling interests		100,574		359,223	
Equity					
Stockholders' equity:					
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share; \$827,779 and \$883,500 liquidation preference; 250,000 shares authorized; 33,111 and 35,340 shares issued and outstanding		800,355		854,232	
Common stock, \$0.04 par value per share					
Class A, 949,000 shares authorized; 159,763 and 142,144 shares issued and outstanding		6,390		5,685	
Class B, 1,000 shares authorized; 166 shares issued and outstanding		7		7	
Additional paid-in capital		7,818,068		7,820,807	
Accumulated deficit		(6,962,613)		(6,576,180)	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		(1,509)		42,383	
Total stockholders' equity		1,660,698		2,146,934	
Noncontrolling interests in investment entities		2,743,896		2,653,173	
Noncontrolling interests in Operating Company		64,895		112,283	
Total equity		4,469,489		4,912,390	
Total liabilities, redeemable noncontrolling interests and equity	\$	11,028,503	\$	14,197,816	



CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended December 31,			Τv	velve Months En	ded December 31,		
	2022		2021		2022		2021	
_	(unaudited)		(unaudited)		(unaudited)			
Revenues								
Property operating income	\$ •	\$	189,909	\$	927,506	\$	762,750	
Fee income	44,255		56,000		172,673		180,826	
Interest income	7,717		3,532		30,107		8,791	
Other income	2,701	_	6,416		14,286		13,432	
Total revenues	301,081		255,857		1,144,572		965,799	
Expenses								
Property operating expense	102,165		78,950		389,445		316,178	
Interest expense	55,048		69,336		198,498		186,949	
Investment expense	7,625		8,230		33,887		28,257	
Transaction-related costs	3,329		3,163		10,129		5,781	
Depreciation and amortization	147,398		132,855		576,911		539,695	
Compensation expense								
Cash and equity-based compensation	61,379		53,067		245,257		235,985	
Carried interest and incentive fee compensation	92,738		25,921		202,286		65,890	
Administrative expenses	39,037		34,256		123,184		109,490	
Total expenses	508,719		405,778		1,779,597		1,488,225	
Other income (loss)								
Other gain (loss), net	(326)		10,322		(170,555)		(21,412)	
Equity method earnings	25,160		85,219		19,412		127,270	
Equity method earnings - carried interest	176,944		29,878		378,342	_	99,207	
Loss before income taxes	(5,860)		(24,502)		(407,826)		(317,361)	
Income tax benefit (expense)	(31,239)		(8,870)		(13,467)		100,538	
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(37,099)		(33,372)		(421,293)		(216,823)	
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	(146)		(9,493)		(148,704)		(600,088)	
Net income (loss)	(37,245)		(42,865)		(569,997)		(816,911)	
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests:								
Redeemable noncontrolling interests	5,211		18,934		(26,778)		34,677	
Investment entities	(36,283)		(57,433)		(189,053)		(500,980)	
Operating Company	(1,583)		(1,946)		(32,369)		(40,511)	
Net income (loss) attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.	(4,590)		(2,420)		(321,797)		(310,097)	
Preferred stock redemption	_		2,127		(1,098)		4,992	
Preferred stock dividends	14,766		16,139		61,567		70,627	
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	\$ (19,356)	\$	(20,686)	\$	(382,266)	\$	(385,716)	
Income (loss) per share—basic		_						
Income (loss) from continuing operations per share—basic	\$ (0.20)	\$	(0.03)	\$	(1.76)	\$	(1.21)	
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders per share—basic	\$ (0.12)	\$	(0.15)	\$	(2.47)	\$	(3.14)	
Income (loss) per share—diluted								
Income (loss) from continuing operations per share—diluted	\$ (0.20)	\$	(0.03)	\$	(1.76)	\$	(1.21)	
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders per share—diluted	\$ (0.12)	\$	(0.15)	\$	(2.47)	\$	(3.14)	
Weighted average number of shares								
Basic	158,837		131,241		154,495		122,864	
Diluted	158,837		131,241		154,495		122,864	



Distributable Earnings (DE) (In thousands, except per share data, unaudited)

	Three Months Ended			Twelve Months Ended				
	December 31, 2022				31, Decemb 31, 202		De	cember 31, 2021
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	\$	(19,356)	\$	(20,686)	\$	(382,266)	\$	(385,716)
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling common interests in Operating Company		(1,583)		(1,946)		(32,369)		(40,511)
Net income (loss) attributable to common interests in Operating Company and common stockholders		(20,939)		(22,632)		(414,635)		(426,227)
Adjustments for Distributable Earnings (DE):								
Transaction-related and restructuring charges ⁽¹⁾		23,772		29,977		100,989		89,134
Non-real estate (gains) losses, excluding realized gains or losses of digital assets within the Corporate and Other segment		(16,050)		(52,611)		178,769		74,747
Net unrealized carried interest		(70,541)		(7,375)		(117,466)		(41,624)
Equity-based compensation expense		7,549		19,416		54,232		59,395
Depreciation and amortization		151,666		147,137		589,582		663,026
Straight-line rent revenue and expense		(7,063)		(1,986)		(21,462)		11,005
Amortization of acquired above- and below-market lease values, net		100		(333)		(78)		4,002
Impairment reversal (loss)		_		(40,732)		35,983		300,038
(Gain) loss from sales of real estate		_		(197)		3		(41,782)
Non-revenue enhancing capital expenditures		(14,774)		(1,097)		(40,515)		(3,436)
Debt prepayment penalties and amortization of deferred financing costs and debt premiums and discounts		5,572		36,685		114,902		100,159
Adjustment to reflect BRSP cash dividend declared		4,122		(28,243)		574		(3,282)
Preferred share redemption (gain) loss		_		2,127		_		4,992
Income tax effect on certain of the foregoing adjustments		55		8,195		(534)		(50,335)
Adjustments attributable to noncontrolling interests in investment entities		(69,810)		(105,150)		(430,061)		(610,382)
DE from discontinued operations		(5,070)		11,467		(13,223)		(149,873)
After-tax DE	\$	(11,411)	\$	(5,352)	\$	37,060	\$	(20,443)
DE per common share / common OP unit ⁽²⁾	\$	(0.07)	\$	(0.04)	\$	0.22	\$	(0.15)
DE per common share / common OP unit—diluted ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	\$	(0.07)	\$	(0.04)	\$	0.22	\$	(0.15)
Weighted average number of common OP units outstanding used for DE per common share and OP unit ⁽²⁾		173,182		146,276		169,042		138,141
Weighted average number of common OP units outstanding used for DE per common share and OP unit—diluted $^{(2)(3)}$		173,182		146,276		172,083		138,141

⁽¹⁾ Restructuring charges primarily represent costs and charges incurred as a result of corporate restructuring and reorganization to implement the digital evolution. These costs and charges include severance, retention, relocation, transition, shareholder settlement and other related restructuring costs, which are not reflective of the Company's core operating performance.

⁽²⁾ Calculated based on weighted average shares outstanding including participating securities and assuming the exchange of all common OP units outstanding for common shares.

⁽³⁾ For the three months ended December 31, 2022, and three and twelve months ended December 31, 2021, excluded from the calculation of diluted DE per share are Class A common stock or OP units issuable in connection with performance stock units, performance based restricted stock units and Wafra's warrants, of which the issuance and/or vesting are subject to the performance of the Company's stock price or the achievement of certain Company specific metrics, and the effect of adding back interest expense associated with convertible senior notes and weighted average dilutive common share equivalents for the assumed conversion of the convertible senior notes as the effect of including such interest expense and common share equivalents would be antidilutive. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2022, included in the calculation of diluted DE per share are Class A common stock or OP units issuable in connection with performance stock units, performance based restricted stock units and Wafra's warrants, of which the issuance and/or vesting are subject to the performance of the Company's stock price or the achievement of certain Company specific metrics, and excluded from the calculation of diluted DE per share is the effect of adding back interest expense associated with convertible senior notes and weighted average dilutive common share equivalents for the assumed conversion of the convertible senior notes as the effect of including such interest expense and common share equivalents would be antidilutive.



Distributable Earnings (DE)

DE is an after-tax measure that differs from GAAP net income or loss from continuing operations as a result of the following adjustments, including adjustment for our share of similar items recognized by our equity method investments: transaction-related and restructuring charges; realized and unrealized gains and losses, except realized gains and losses from digital assets in Corporate and Other; depreciation, amortization and impairment charges; debt prepayment penalties, and amortization of deferred financing costs, debt premiums and debt discounts; our share of unrealized carried interest, net of associated compensation expense; equity-based compensation expense; equity method earnings from BrightSpire Capital, Inc. (BRSP) which is replaced with dividends declared by BRSP; effect of straight-line lease income and expense; impairment of equity investments directly attributable to decrease in value of depreciable real estate held by the investee; non-revenue enhancing capital expenditures; income tax effect on certain of the foregoing adjustments. Income taxes included in DE reflect the benefit of deductions arising from certain expenses that are excluded from the calculation of DE, such as equity-based compensation, as these deductions do decrease actual income tax paid or payable by the Company in any one period. There are no differences in the Company's measurement of DE and AFFO. Therefore, previously reported AFFO is the equivalent to DE and prior period information has not been recast. DE is presented on a reportable segment basis and for the Company in total.

We believe that DE is a meaningful supplemental measure as it reflects the ongoing operating performance of our core business by generally excluding items that are non-core in nature and allows for better comparability of operating results period-over-period and to other companies in similar lines of business.