

NEWS RELEASE

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

David H. Hoster II, Chief Executive Officer Marshall Loeb, President and Chief Operating Officer N. Keith McKey, Chief Financial Officer (601) 354-3555

EASTGROUP PROPERTIES ANNOUNCES 144TH CONSECUTIVE QUARTERLY CASH DIVIDEND

JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, December 4, 2015 -- EastGroup Properties (NYSE-EGP) announced today that its Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$.60 per share payable on December 31, 2015 to shareholders of record of Common Stock on December 18, 2015. This dividend is the 144th consecutive quarterly distribution to EastGroup's shareholders and represents an annualized dividend rate of \$2.40 per share. EastGroup has increased or maintained its dividend for 23 consecutive years and increased it 20 years over that period. It has also increased the dividend in each of the last four years.

EastGroup Properties, Inc. is a self-administered equity real estate investment trust focused on the development, acquisition and operation of industrial properties in major Sunbelt markets throughout the United States with an emphasis in the states of Florida, Texas, Arizona, California and North Carolina. Its strategy for growth is based on its property portfolio orientation toward premier business distribution facilities clustered near major transportation features. EastGroup's portfolio currently includes over 36 million square feet.

EastGroup Properties, Inc. press releases are available at www.eastgroup.net.
####

P.O. BOX 22728 JACKSON, MS 39225-2728 TEL: 601-354-3555 FAX: 601-352-1441