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LENDERS "LAND" LOANS AT LAST

Due to plenty of capital available for construction, expect lenders to reach further and contemplate land deals. Count on lenders to be more aggressive, but cautious with underwriting. Only the most favorable sponsored borrowers will be considered. Leverage will be around 50%. Some lenders could drop cash	
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DEAL OF THE WEEK

Property Type: Two Industrial/Warehouse Buildings in Fountain Valley, Calif.

Loan: \$1.4M refi

Lender: American Equity Investment Life Insurance

Leverage: Mid-50% range

Rate: Mid-4%

American Equity stepped up with a 17-year, fully amortizing loan to fulfill the borrower's need for a long-term loan for a single-tenant property. The deal was challenging because the asset possessed a non-credit tenant with only five and a half years left on the lease. The property's solid location in a strong, low-vacancy market helped Sauerman and Magoffin close the deal. American Equity was also confident the functional buildings would be easy to re-tenant if vacated. Loan proceeds will go to pay off an existing bank loan. The lender provided a non-recourse loan due to the low leverage. DSC was 1.50x. This loan has step-down prepayment flexibility starting the first year at 3%.

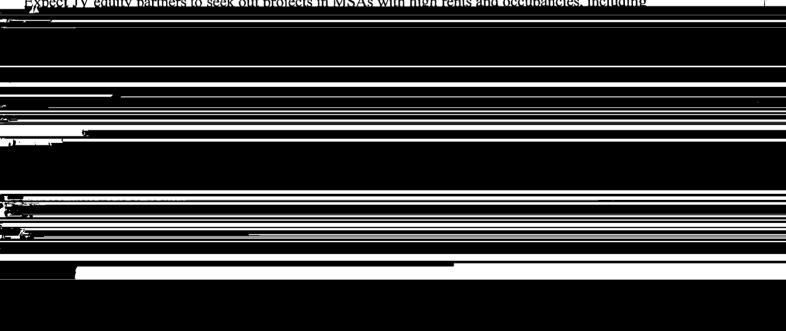
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JV EQUITY INVESTORS GO GROUND Up...

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JV equity partners will require high teens to low 20% returns in order to take on the development risk. Most developers will seek a 90/10 equity split, but many investors will provide 80/20. Developers will need to sign on for the recourse. JV equity will be a viable option since most preferred equity investors would rather buy cash flowing properties at a discount to replacement cost before taking construction risk.

Expect JV equity partners to seek out projects in MSAs with high rents and occupancies, including



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LCs Dominate Single-Tenant Retail...

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Stancorp. will provide up to 70% leverage for tenants such as Family Dollar, while Summit (Ameritas) will prefer physician tenants.

Grocery stores, including Safeway, Food Lion and Tesco will be the most favorable. Drugs stores such as Walgreens and CVS will be sought after, although Rite Aid will be less desirable. Costco, Kohl's, Walmart, Home Depot, Lowe's, Target, Trader Joe's, Dollar Store, AutoZone and Bed Bath & Beyond will be targeted. Restaurants such as Chili's and Applebee's will be tough because of the high failure rate. Chains that have closed stores recently such as Winn-Dixie and Best Buy will also have difficulties. Owner-occupied property loans will usually go to the local banks.

Deals without favorable sponsorship can be mitigated with a strong tenant or lower leverage. Count on life companies to closely scrutinize tenant credit and financials. Favorable locations, occupancy costs and strong sales will ease lender concerns. Tenants with high rents and flat-lined sales or deals with only two to five years left on the lease could run into trouble. Retailers with re-leasable space for other uses will see some interested LCs.



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HOTELIERS SEE CMBS LOANS IMPROVE

Look for hotel underwriting to improve further going into 2013. Debt yield will ease from 12% to 10% for hotel CMBS loans. Amortization increases to 30 years, up from 20 years allocated in Q3. Leverage will come in at 70%, on average, going forward. Pricing will be in the low to mid-4% range. Deals with leverage under 50% will see sub 4% rates.

The CMBS market heats thanks to tranches selling at or above lender expectations. Across the board, lenders will reach for hotels. Expect Goldman Sachs, JP Morgan Chase, Wells Fargo and UBS to be among the largest originators in Q4. Deutsche Bank, Morgan Stanley, UBS, Jeffries LoanCore, Ladder Capital, KeyBank, Citi, Archetype Mortgage Capital, C-III Commercial Mortgage, Guggenheim and Basis Investment Group will also be very active throughout year's end and into 2013.

At the end of the day, all of these originators compete for deals. The key will be to understand which lenders have upcoming securitizations and what asset classes they need to fit in. Most tranches will be around \$2B and will include a mix of product types and originators. CMBS deals typically close in 60 days from coming to the market; shopping around for quotes takes 15 days on average.

Count on **BofA**, **RBS**, Wells Fargo, Basis, UBS, JP Morgan, Morgan Stanley and Citi to consider hotel loans under \$10M. Debt yield will be 12% or higher for deals under \$5M. Lenders will be in the driver's seat for smaller hotel deals and will look for cash flow to be the most crucial factor. Watch for more small loans for acquisitions to emerge next year.

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