WELLTOWER INC. TAX NOTICE 6 1/2% SERIES J PREFERRED STOCK ** FINAL NOTICE **

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For 2017 federal income tax reporting, please note the following schedule which explains that during the calendar year 2017, the Company distributed the amount indicated on the date shown with respect to each share outstanding on the following record dates:

Record Date		Payment Date	Amount Per Share
January 2,	2017	January 17, 2017	\$0.40625

Subject to year-end audit, the Company estimates that the federal income tax status of these dividends per share is as follows:

 Ordinary Dividend*
 \$0.217291

 Long-Term Capital Gain/(Loss)**
 0.188959

 Return of Capital
 0.000000

 Total
 \$0.406250

*Includes Qualified Dividend reported in box 1b of Form 1099-DIV, separately stated per share as follows:

Qualified Dividend

0.000453

**Includes Unrecaptured Sec. 1250 Gain reported in box 2b of Form 1099-DIV, separately stated per share as follows:

Unrecaptured Sec. 1250 Gain **0.042662**

Note also that the dividends paid by a real estate investment trust do not qualify for the dividend received deduction for corporate shareholders under federal tax law.

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