

Takeaways From Management Meetings With Agree Realty Corporation

- **Hosted Management Meetings.** We recently hosted meetings with Agree Realty Corporation's management.
- **Why ADC?** Agree has a high-quality net-lease pure-play retail REIT portfolio that has been transformed over the last few years. The company's size and unique growth platform could result in some of the best AFFO growth of the next few years. The dividend is well-covered and should continue to grow. Additionally, ADC has one of the strongest balance sheets in the sector.

- **Main Message.** Management's main message is that the company has created value and continues to create value across its three platforms.

- **Diversified Business Model.** Agree has three growth platforms: acquisitions, development, and Partner Capital Solutions (PCS). Acquisitions yields are in the mid-7.0% range, development yields are in the 9.0% range, and PCS yields are somewhere in between.

- **How Is ADC Differentiated From Its Peers?** Management believes it differentiates itself from the other net-lease peers in that it focuses strictly on retail, is a real estate focused company as opposed to being more of a finance company, and management believes its development capabilities also stand out.

- **Becoming More Relevant.** Agree has become increasingly more relevant in the triple-net sector and among REIT investors as it has reached a certain mass and size. The company's enterprise value is currently \$1.5 billion.

- **Should Have Some of the Best AFFO Growth Among the Group.** Our 2016, 2017, and 2018 AFFO estimates are \$2.53, \$2.84, and \$3.05, respectively. On an AFFO basis, the company also has some of the highest expected CAGR from 2014-2017E of 8.5%, above the sector average of 6.2%. The cumulative growth is third behind Gramercy Property Trust (26.6%) and STORE Capital Corporation (10.1%).

- **Economies of Scale.** The company today has 25 employees, up from only 12 just 36 months ago. The company has quadrupled over the last few years. Management believes it can double the size of the company by acquiring \$250-\$275 million/year of acquisitions with \$50-\$100 million of development with very little incremental SG&A. This could provide further earnings upside for the company. Management felt the optimal size for the enterprise is ~\$3.0 billion.

- **Recent Value Creation Opportunities.** Some recent and current value creation opportunities include a Starbucks turn-key lease at the strip center in Lakeland, FL, a ground-lease Chick-fil-A in Frankfort, KY, a ground-lease Texas Roadhouse in Mount Pleasant, MI, and the Family Fare Quick Stop in Marshall, MI. Another opportunity is the 20,745 sf Off Broadway lease in Boynton Beach, FL that expires next year. The lease was an original Borders location and

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Changes	Previous	Current
Rating	—	Buy
Target Price	—	\$54.00
FY16E FFO	—	\$2.52
FY17E FFO	—	\$2.82
FY16E FAD	—	2.53
FY17E FAD	—	2.84

Price (09/12/16):	\$47.80
52-Week Range:	\$51 – \$28
Market Cap.(mm):	1,128.1
Shr.O/S-Diluted (mm):	23.6
Enterprise Val. (mm):	\$1,514.0
Avg Daily Vol (3 Mo):	166,542
LT Debt/Total Cap.:	23.4%
NAV (US\$):	\$42.00
Premium/Discount:	13.8 %
Dividend(\$ / %)	\$1.92 / 4.0%
S&P Index	2,159.04

FFO	2015A	2016E	2017E
Q1	\$0.56	\$0.61A	\$NE
Q2	0.62	0.61A	NE
Q3	0.61	0.63	NE
Q4	0.60	0.67	NE
FY Dec	\$2.39A	\$2.52	\$2.82

FAD	2015A	2016E	2017E
Q1	0.57	0.61A	NE
Q2	0.62	0.61A	NE
Q3	0.60	0.64	NE
Q4	0.60	0.67	NE
FY Dec	2.38A	2.53	2.84



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accounts for half of the rent roll in 2017. The property could be expanded by 15,500 sf and re-leased at higher rates.

- **YTD Acquisition Volume.** YTD, Agree has purchased \$192 million of acquisitions at a 7.8% cap rate. Acquisition volume included a \$79.5 million, 11-property portfolio with a weighted average lease term of 11.4 year with assets primarily located in L.A. and S.F. as well as Seattle, Austin, Denver, and Orlando. Acquisition guidance is \$250-\$275 million, which was increased 40.0%. Additionally, the company's PCS division has completed or commenced nine projects.
- **Portfolio Statistics.** The company's portfolio is 99.6% leased, with a weighted average lease term of 11.0 years, one of the longest in the industry. Only 12.4% of revenue is rolling in the next five years. The company has the highest investment-grade concentration (46.1%) among its peers. Although non-investment grade, Hobby Lobby and Tractor Supply have solid balance sheets.
- **Has Pared Down Walgreens Exposure.** Exposure to the company's top tenant Walgreens is currently 13.7%, down from 21.9% as of January 2015. Last quarter, ADC sold a Walgreens in Port St. John, Florida for \$7.3 million, or a 5.5% cap rate. It hopes to sell \$20-\$50 million of Walgreens this year at very attractive cap rates. Overall pharmacy concentration has been reduced by over 1,100 bps over the same time-frame. Management would like to continue to reduce Walgreens concentration to below 10.0% by year-end 2017 and below 5.0% over the next 3-4 years.
- **Recently Added New Director.** Last week, ADC appointed Merrie S. Frankel to its board of directors. She will replace outgoing board member Eugene Silverman, who has served for over 20 years on the board. Ms. Frankel most recently worked for Moody's Investors Service for the last 18 years in the Commercial Real Estate Finance Group as VP and senior credit officer.
- **Dividend.** In early May, Agree raised its quarterly dividend 3.20% to \$0.48 or annual yield of 4.02%. The current 2016E 76.0% FAD payout is below the group average by 200 bps and at the lower-end of management's payout range. This means the company has ample cushion to raise the dividend going forward.
- **Obtained \$100 Million Of Unsecured Financings Earlier This Quarter.** In early July, ADC obtained \$100 million of unsecured financings with a weighted average lease term of 10 years at a blended interest rate of 3.87%. The financings consist of a seven-year \$40 million unsecured term loan at 3.0% and a 12-year \$60 million privately placed senior unsecured note at 4.42%. The company is likely eligible for an investment grade rating but does not feel it needs one at its current size.
- **Strong Balance Sheet.** The company's balance sheet remains strong, in our view, with net-debt+preferred/EV at a healthy 25.4%, one of the lowest in the sector, and net-debt+preferred to EBITDA at 5.1x, also among the lowest in the sector. No debt matures until 2018.
- **Valuation.** Our 2Q16 NAV per share estimate of \$42.00 reflects a 6.0% cap rate. Our value range of \$47.50-\$37.50 reflects cap rates of 5.5%-6.5%. Shares currently trade at an implied 5.5% cap rate and at a 13.8% premium to our NAV. Our estimated 2017 AFFO multiple is 16.9x, almost 3.5x below National Retail Properties (NNN, \$49.42, Buy)

and Realty Income (O, \$65.54, Buy).

Target Price Methodology/Risks

Our target price of \$54.00 reflects a 17.7x our 2018 AFFO estimate of \$3.05. Risks to our target price include a prolonged economic downturn or recession, interest rate movements, and general market risk, including continued weakness in the mortgage-backed securities market and commercial real estate fundamentals.

Company Description

Agree Realty Corporation is a publicly traded real estate investment trust primarily engaged in the acquisition and development of properties net leased to industry-leading retail tenants. The company currently owns and operates a portfolio of 330 properties, located in 42 states and containing approximately 6.4 million square feet of gross leaseable space.

Agree Realty Corporation
Net Asset Value Analysis
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Current Price	\$47.80							Implied Cap Rate
Assumed cap. rate	5.25%	5.50%	5.75%	6.00%	6.25%	6.50%	8.00%	5.47%
NAV per common share	\$50.50	\$47.46	\$44.69	\$42.14	\$39.80	\$37.64	\$27.51	\$47.80
Currently Over(Under)-Valued	(5.4%)	.7%	7.0%	13.4%	20.1%	27.0%	73.7%	0.0%
Wholly Owned Properties	3 mos ending 6/30/2016	3 mos ending 6/30/2016	3 mos ending 6/30/2016	3 mos ending 6/30/2016	3 mos ending 6/30/2016	3 mos ending 6/30/2016	3 mos ending 6/30/2016	3 mos ending 6/30/2016
Annual NOI	86,100	86,100	86,100	86,100	86,100	86,100	86,100	86,100
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Less Straight Line Rents & lease term fees	(3,100)	(3,100)	(3,100)	(3,100)	(3,100)	(3,100)	(3,100)	(3,100)
Adjusted NOI	83,000	83,000	83,000	83,000	83,000	83,000	83,000	83,000
Mkt. value of owned properties	1,580,952	1,509,091	1,443,478	1,383,333	1,328,000	1,276,923	1,037,500	1,517,073
Cash & cash equiv.	6,035	6,035	6,035	6,035	6,035	6,035	6,035	6,035
A/R	9,974	9,974	9,974	9,974	9,974	9,974	9,974	9,974
Real Estate Inventory @ book	4,091	4,091	4,091	4,091	4,091	4,091	4,091	4,091
Recent acquisitions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other assets	2,702	2,702	2,702	2,702	2,702	2,702	2,702	2,702
Total Assets	1,603,754	1,531,893	1,466,280	1,406,135	1,350,802	1,299,725	1,060,302	1,539,875
Line of Credit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mortgage Payable	(90,464)	(90,464)	(90,464)	(90,464)	(90,464)	(90,464)	(90,464)	(90,464)
Unsecured Debt	(300,000)	(300,000)	(300,000)	(300,000)	(300,000)	(300,000)	(300,000)	(300,000)
Other liabilities	(19,522)	(19,522)	(19,522)	(19,522)	(19,522)	(19,522)	(19,522)	(19,522)
Preferred (at liquidation value)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Liabilities	(409,986)	(409,986)	(409,986)	(409,986)	(409,986)	(409,986)	(409,986)	(409,986)
Net mkt. asset value	1,193,768	1,121,907	1,056,294	996,149	940,816	889,739	650,316	1,129,889
Diluted wtg. avg. com. shs. ots.	23,638	23,638	23,638	23,638	23,638	23,638	23,638	23,638
Debt+Preferred to EV	25.6%	26.8%	28.0%	29.2%	30.4%	31.5%	38.7%	

Source: Stifel estimates and company data

Agree Realty Corporation
 Quarterly Earnings Model
 (in thousands, except per share data)

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	2013 A	2014 A	1Q15 A	2Q15 A	3Q15 A	4Q15 A	2015 A	1Q16 A	2Q16 A	3Q16 E	4Q16 E	2016 E	2017 E	2018 E
Assumptions:	\$99,000	\$134,483	\$58,662	\$55,368	\$17,100	\$60,000	\$191,130	\$38,300	\$146,200	\$60,000	\$95,000	\$339,500	\$200,000	\$200,000
Rate of return on new acquisitions		8.8%	8.1%	7.9%	8.1%	7.8%	8.0%	7.9%	7.8%	7.9%	7.9%	7.9%	7.7%	7.7%
Revenue growth - existing properties (quarterly)	NA	5.3%	8.1%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	2.3%	8.7%	2.2%	0.4%	0.4%	2.9%	0.4%	0.4%
Percentage rents	0.1%	0.3%	0.1%	0.9%	0.2%	(0.1%)	0.3%	1.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.3%		
Tenant reimbursements as a percent of operating expenses	NA	77.9%	80.4%	77.5%	73.8%	93.0%	81.2%	85.5%	76.4%	77.8%	97.0%	84.2%	85.2%	86.2%
Other property related revenue growth	NA	1378.9%	-96.6%	-66.7%	-7.0%	1.8%	-42.1%	-4000.0%	-587.5%	-587.5%	-587.5%	-1440.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Opex as % of Rent	9.1%	10.0%	10.1%	8.9%	7.9%	12.8%	9.9%	10.1%	12.7%	7.9%	12.7%	10.8%	9.9%	9.9%
G&A as % of net operating income	15.0%	13.6%	11.7%	11.0%	10.7%	10.7%	11.0%	11.1%	10.6%	9.8%	9.5%	10.2%	9.0%	8.7%
Avg. interest rate on avg. debt outstanding (annual)	NA	4.4%	3.3%	4.7%	5.3%	5.8%	4.7%	4.4%	3.8%	4.3%	4.3%	4.2%	4.5%	4.5%
Additional debt issued (retired) during quarter	NA	NA	(38,583)	(65,182)	11,299	90,288	-2,178	32,021	27,975	30,159	64,108	154,262	54,215	34,861
Additional common equity issued during quarter	NA	NA	1,854	11,990	23,255	55,791	92,890	4,275	109,080	27,461	27,246	168,062	124,878	136,230
Additional common shares issued during quarter	NA	2,657	63	451	835	1,749	3,097	117	2,875	600	600	4,192	2,750	3,000
Projected FFO/stock price multiple	12.1	13.2	12.8	11.5	11.9	13.3	14.0	14.9	18.1	17.4	17.0	19.0	16.9	15.8
Ending stock price	\$25.50	\$28.96	\$31.14	\$27.99	\$29.09	\$33.58	\$33.58	\$38.47	\$48.24	\$47.80	\$47.80	\$47.80	\$47.80	\$47.80
NOI from existing properties: (2)														
Existing property rental income	\$40,895	\$49,404	\$14,554	\$15,972	\$16,736	\$17,016	\$64,278	\$18,491	\$19,912	\$19,992	\$20,072	\$78,466	\$81,093	\$82,398
Percentage rents	\$36	\$160	10	141	38	(9)	\$180	183	7	40	-	\$230	\$247	\$251
Tenant reimbursements	\$2,568	\$3,825	1,178	1,098	970	2,031	\$5,277	1,589	1,934	1,322	2,204	\$7,049	\$6,982	\$7,177
Other property related revenue	\$19	\$281	1	8	106	116	\$231	(39)	(39)	(39)	(39)	(\$156)	(\$156)	(\$156)
Less operating expenses, real estate taxes & land sale costs	(\$3,720)	(\$4,916)	(1,466)	(1,416)	(1,314)	(2,183)	(\$6,379)	(1,859)	(2,530)	(1,570)	(2,549)	(\$8,508)	(\$8,062)	(\$8,192)
NOI from existing properties (2)	39,798	\$48,754	14,277	15,803	16,536	16,971	\$63,587	18,365	19,284	19,745	19,688	\$77,081	\$80,104	\$81,478
NOI from acquired property - cumulative (2)	\$0	\$0	-	-	-	-	\$0	-	-	2,501	4,044	\$6,544	\$27,828	\$43,728
NOI from development - cumulative (2)	\$0	\$0	-	-	-	-	\$0	-	-	-	-	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total NOI (2)	39,798	\$48,754	14,277	15,803	16,536	16,971	\$63,587	18,365	19,284	22,245	23,732	\$83,626	\$107,932	\$125,205
Other income and expenses:	\$0	\$0	-	-	-	-	\$0	-	-	-	-	\$0	\$0	\$0
Interest and other income (includes tax benefits)	\$0	\$0	-	-	-	-	\$0	-	-	-	-	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equity in earnings from uncons. investments	(\$515)	(\$425)	(126)	(201)	(281)	(137)	(\$745)	(150)	(167)	(300)	(150)	(\$767)	(\$767)	(\$767)
General and administrative expenses	(\$5,952)	(\$6,629)	(1,668)	(1,744)	(1,769)	(1,808)	(\$6,989)	(2,045)	(2,042)	(2,180)	(2,254)	(\$8,522)	(\$9,739)	(\$10,840)
Other expenses	\$0	\$0	-	-	-	-	\$0	-	-	-	-	\$0	\$0	\$0
EBITDA	33,331	\$41,700	12,483	13,858	14,486	15,026	\$55,853	16,170	17,075	19,765	21,327	\$74,337	\$97,426	\$113,599
Reconciliation of EBITDA to funds from operations (FFO):														
Less: Interest expense	(\$6,475)	(\$8,587)	(2,461)	(2,933)	(2,964)	(3,947)	(\$12,305)	(3,649)	(3,497)	(4,707)	(4,931)	(\$16,783)	(\$20,826)	(\$22,632)
Less: Non-real estate deprec. and amort.	\$0	\$0	118	-	-	110	\$228	110	178	178	178	\$644	\$712	\$712
Other nonrecurring gains and (expenses)	1,514	318	(187)	186	(285)	566	280	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Funds from operations (FFO)	28,370	\$33,431	\$9,953	\$11,111	11,237	11,755	\$44,056	12,631	\$13,756	\$15,237	16,574	\$58,198	\$77,312	\$91,679
Add: Non-real estate depreciation & other	393	507	305	131	144	126	706	133	141	141	141	556	564	564
Less: Straight-line rents	(1,612)	(1,881)	(714)	(724)	(725)	(750)	(2,913)	(765)	(772)	(772)	(772)	(3,081)	(3,081)	(3,081)
Add: Stock based comp	1,813	1,987	524	521	477	470	1,992	708	601	675	675	2,659	2,950	3,100
Funds available for distribution (FAD)	\$28,964	\$34,044	\$10,068	\$11,039	\$11,133	\$11,601	\$43,841	\$12,707	\$13,726	\$15,281	\$16,618	\$58,332	\$77,745	\$92,262
FFO per common share equivalent - diluted	\$2.10	\$2.19	\$0.56	\$0.62	\$0.61	\$0.60	\$2.39	\$0.61	\$0.61	\$0.63	\$0.67	\$2.52	\$2.82	\$3.03
FAD per common share equivalent	\$2.14	\$2.23	\$0.57	\$0.62	\$0.60	\$0.60	\$2.38	\$0.61	\$0.61	\$0.64	\$0.67	\$2.53	\$2.84	\$3.05
Dividends per share	\$1.640	\$1.740	\$0.450	\$0.465	\$0.465	\$0.465	\$1.845	\$0.465	\$0.480	\$0.480	\$0.480	\$1.905	\$1.980	\$2.000
Weighted average common shares and OP units:														
Common shares and units out at end of period	14,883	17,540	17,603	18,054	18,888	20,637	20,637	20,754	23,638	24,238	24,838	24,838	27,588	30,588
Weighted avg. shares and units outstanding - basic	13,066	14,960	17,717	17,539	18,009	19,411	18,169	20,786	22,533	23,938	24,838	23,024	27,319	30,213
Converted warrants, options, pref., debs. (treas. method)	439	327	47	396	403	66	228	74	80	80	80	78	80	80
Weighted avg. shares and units out - diluted	13,505	15,286	17,764	17,935	18,412	19,477	18,397	20,828	22,613	24,018	24,918	23,094	27,399	30,293
Capitalization Analysis														
Average net debt outstanding	200,763	200,763	302,471	250,588	223,647	274,440	262,786	335,355	370,795	405,544	452,677	391,092	465,553	505,885
Ending net debt outstanding	158,398	321,762	283,179	217,997	229,296	319,584	319,584	351,125	390,464	420,623	484,731	484,731	538,946	573,807
Preferred stock outstanding	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ending common shares outstanding	14,883	17,540	17,603	18,054	18,888	20,637	20,637	20,754	23,638	24,238	24,838	24,838	27,588	30,588
Equity market capitalization	379,525	420,959	548,145	505,318	549,464	693,001	693,001	798,417	1,140,290	1,158,569	1,187,249	1,187,249	1,318,699	1,462,099
Total market capitalization	537,923	742,721	831,324	723,315	778,760	1,012,585	1,012,585	1,149,542	1,530,754	1,579,192	1,671,980	1,671,980	1,857,645	2,035,906
Debt/total market cap	29.4%	43.3%	34.1%	30.1%	29.4%	31.6%	31.6%	30.5%	25.5%	26.6%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%	28.2%
Ratios:														
Interest coverage	5.15	4.86	5.07	4.72	4.89	3.81	4.54	4.43	4.88	4.20	4.33	4.43	4.68	5.02
Fixed charges coverage	5.15	4.86	5.07	4.72	4.89	3.81	4.54	4.43	4.88	4.20	4.33	4.43	4.68	5.02
Dividend yield (div/stock price)	6.4%	6.0%	5.8%	6.6%	6.4%	5.5%	5.5%	4.8%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.1%	4.2%
FFO growth (per share)	NA	4.1%	-3.4%	10.7%	-1.6%	-1.6%	9.5%	1.7%	0.0%	3.3%	6.3%	5.2%	12.0%	7.3%
FFO payout ratio - diluted (div/FFO per share)	78.1%	79.6%	80.4%	75.0%	76.2%	77.5%	77.0%	76.2%	78.7%	76.2%	71.6%	75.6%	70.2%	66.1%
FAD payout ratio - diluted (div/FAD per share)	76.5%	78.1%	78.9%	75.0%	77.5%	77.5%	77.4%	76.2%	78.7%	75.0%	71.6%	75.4%	69.8%	65.7%

(1) Assumes midperiod acquisition or development revenue convention.

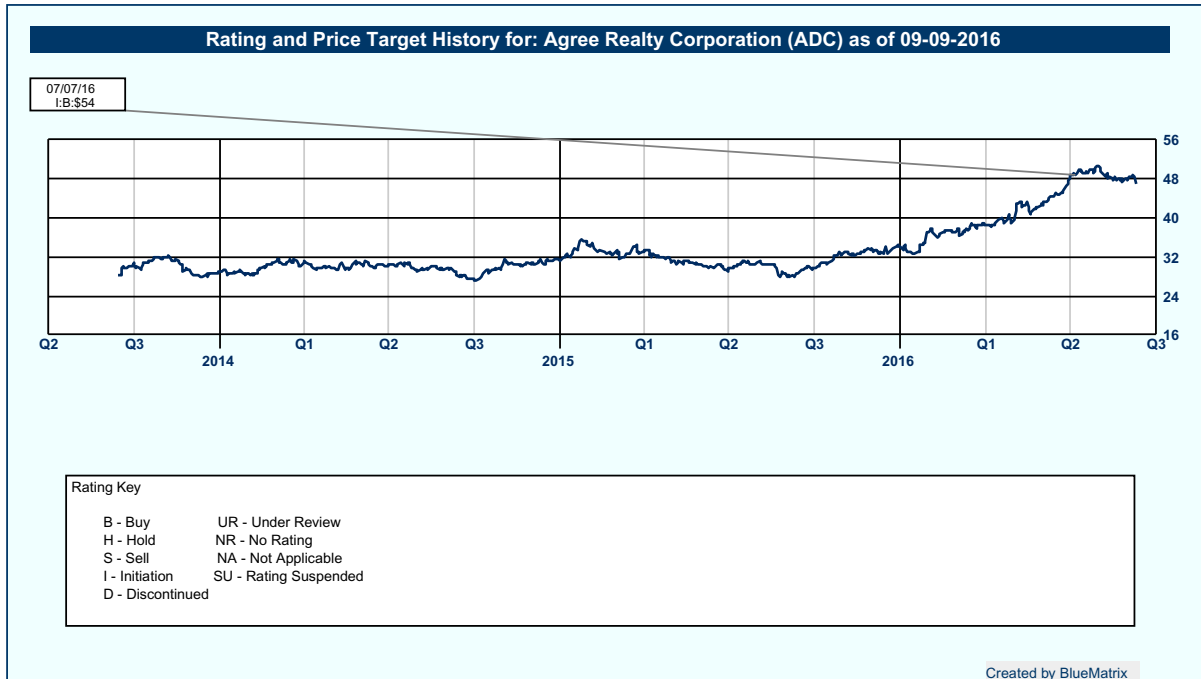
(2) Net operating income (NOI) is defined as rental revenue plus tenant reimbursements less property-level operating expenses and real estate taxes.

(3) Adjusted EBITDA equals EBITDA less property sale gains and straight-line-rents.

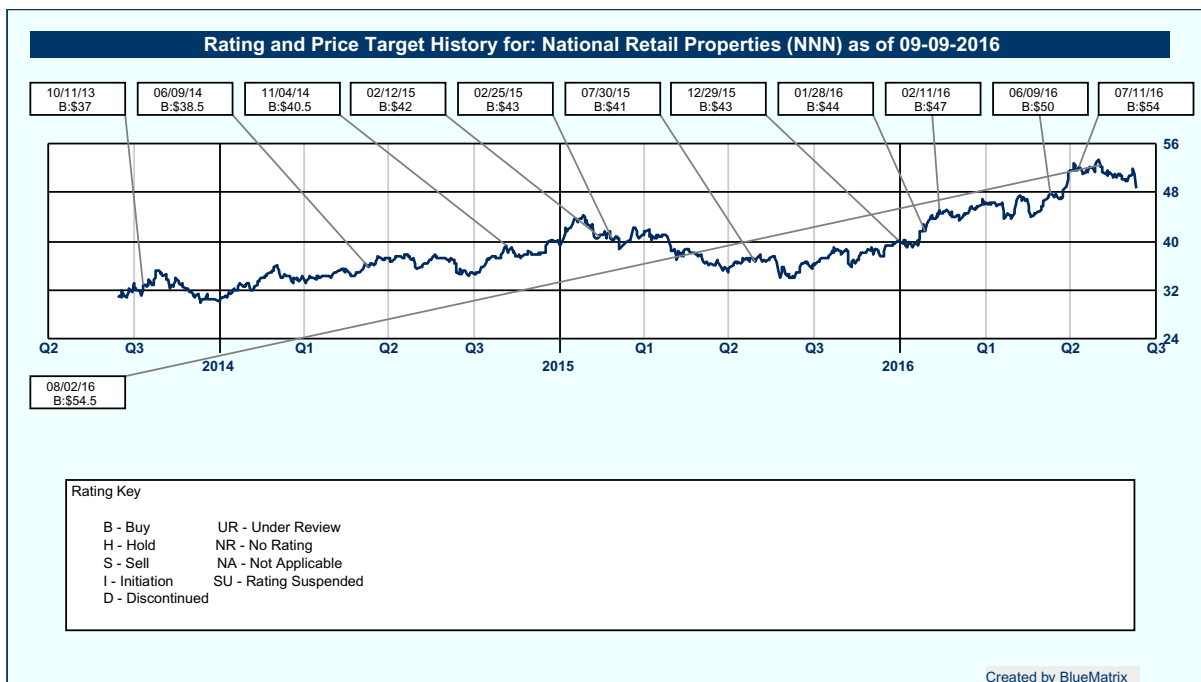
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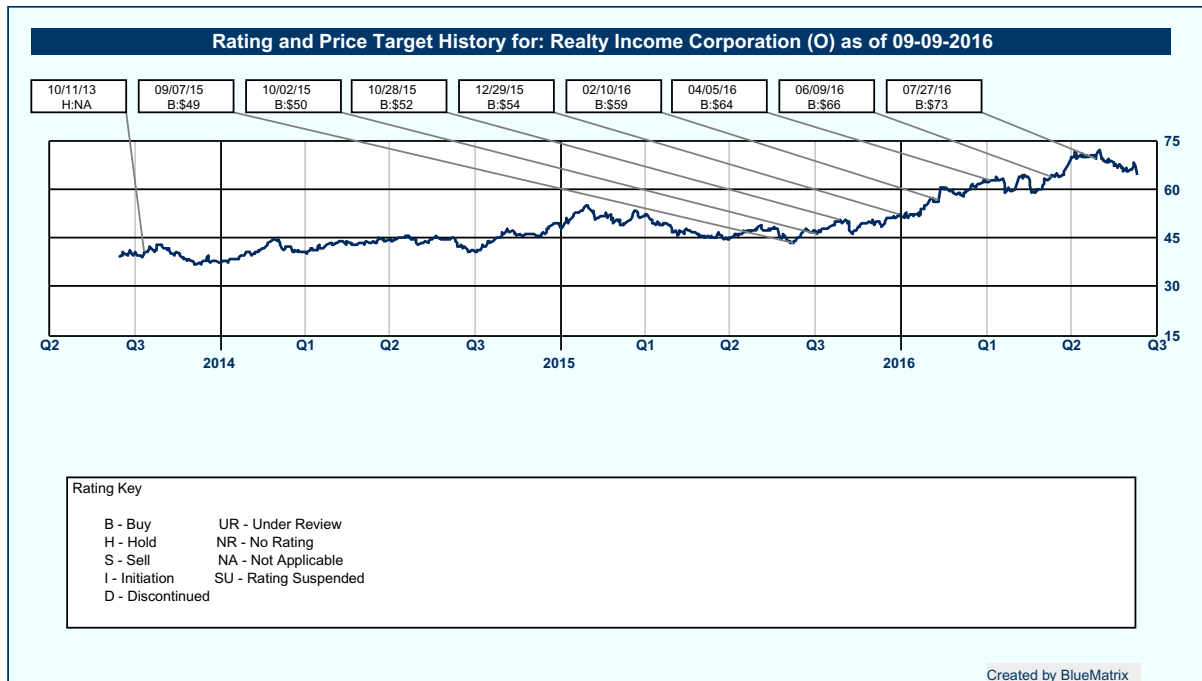
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