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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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### FORM S-4

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

### **Pebblebrook Hotel Trust**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

6798

(Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number)

7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100 West Bethesda, Maryland 20814 (240) 507-1300

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

Jon E. Bortz

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale of the securities to the public: As soon as practicable after the effectiveness of this registration statement and the satisfaction or waiver of all other conditions to the completion of the mergers described herein.

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Large Accelerated filer ý

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If applicable, place an X in the box to designate the appropriate rule provision relied upon in conducting this transaction:

Exchange Act Rule 13e-4(i) (Cross-Border Issuer Tender Offer) o

Exchange Act Rule 14d-1(d) (Cross-Border Issuer Third Party Tender Offer) o

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PRELIMINARY SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED OCTOBER 26, 2018

### JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS

To the shareholders of Pebblebrook Hotel Trust and the shareholders of LaSalle Hotel Properties:

Each of the Board of Trustees of Pebblebrook Hotel Trust and the Board of Trustees of LaSalle Hotel Properties has approved an Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of September 6, 2018, as amended on September 18, 2018, and as it may be amended from time to time, which we refer to as the merger agreement, by and among Pebblebrook Hotel Trust, a Maryland real estate investment trust, which we refer to as Pebblebrook; Pebblebrook Hotel, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, which we refer to as Pebblebrook OP; Ping Merger Sub, LLC, a Maryland limited liability company, which we refer to as Merger Sub; Ping Merger OP, LP, a Delaware limited partnership, which we refer to as Merger OP and, collectively with Pebblebrook, Pebblebrook OP and Merger Sub, the Pebblebrook parties; LaSalle Hotel Properties, a Maryland real estate investment trust, which we refer to as LaSalle; and LaSalle Hotel Operating Partnership, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, which we refer to as LaSalle OP and, together with LaSalle, the LaSalle parties. Pursuant to the merger agreement, Pebblebrook and LaSalle will combine through (i) a merger of LaSalle with and into Merger Sub, with Merger Sub surviving the merger, which we refer to as the company merger, and (ii) a merger of Merger OP with and into LaSalle OP, with LaSalle OP surviving the merger as the surviving partnership, which we refer to as the partnership merger, and together with the company merger, the mergers. The combined company after the mergers, which we refer to as the combined company, will retain the name "Pebblebrook Hotel Trust" and its common shares will continue to trade on the New York Stock Exchange, or the NYSE, under the symbol "PEB". The obligations of Pebblebrook and LaSalle to complete the mergers are subject to the satisfaction or waiver of certain customary conditions (including the applicable approvals of each company's shareholders), which are set forth in the merger agreement.

If the company merger is completed pursuant to the merger agreement, (i) each of the common shares of beneficial interest, \$.01 par value per share, of LaSalle, which we refer to as LaSalle common shares, outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger, will convert into the right to receive, at the election of the holder (a) 0.92 common shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value per share, of Pebblebrook, which we refer to as Pebblebrook common shares, which we refer to as the share consideration, or (b) \$37.80 in cash, which we refer to as the cash consideration and, together with the share consideration, the merger consideration; (ii) each 6.375% Series I Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Share of Beneficial Interest, \$.01 par value per share, of LaSalle, which we refer to as LaSalle Series I preferred shares, will convert into the right to receive one share of a newly designated class of preferred shares of Pebblebrook, the 6.375% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, \$0.01 par value per share, which we refer to as the Pebblebrook Series E preferred shares, with the same rights, privileges and preferences as the LaSalle Series I preferred shares; and (iii) each 6.3% Series J Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Share of Beneficial Interest, \$.01 par value per share, of LaSalle, which we refer to as LaSalle Series J preferred shares, will convert into the right to receive one share of a newly designated class of preferred shares of Pebblebrook, the 6.3% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, \$0.01 par value per share, which we refer to as the Pebblebrook Series F preferred shares, with the same rights, privileges and preferences as the LaSalle Series J preferred shares. The maximum number of LaSalle common shares eligible to be converted into the right to receive the cash consideration will be equal to 30% of the aggregate number of LaSalle common shares issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger. LaSalle common shares held by Pebblebrook will be cancelled at the effective time of the company merger and are not eligible to be converted into the right to receive the cash consideration, effectively increasing the maximum number of LaSalle common shares that could receive the cash election price to approximately 33% of the aggregate number of LaSalle common shares outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger.

If the partnership merger is completed pursuant to the merger agreement, each common unit of LaSalle OP outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the partnership merger will be converted into the right to receive 0.92 common units of Pebblebrook OP, or, in the alternative, each limited partner (excluding LaSalle and its affiliates) holding such LaSalle OP common units may elect to redeem such units and receive the share consideration in exchange for each common unit.

In connection with the mergers, we anticipate that Pebblebrook will issue a total of approximately 92,458,617 Pebblebrook common shares, including (i) 92,325,012 Pebblebrook common shares in exchange for the LaSalle common shares in the company merger, which assumes that no LaSalle shareholder elects to receive the cash consideration, and (ii) 133,605 Pebblebrook common shares if all of the limited partners of LaSalle OP (excluding LaSalle and its affiliates) elect to receive Pebblebrook common shares instead of Pebblebrook OP common units in connection with the partnership merger. Upon completion of the mergers, we estimate that continuing Pebblebrook shareholders will own approximately 42.7% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the combined company and that former LaSalle security holders will own approximately 57.3% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the combined company, assuming that no LaSalle shareholders elect to receive the cash consideration and assuming all of the limited partners of LaSalle OP (excluding LaSalle and its affiliates) elect to receive Pebblebrook common shares instead of Pebblebrook OP common units. However, if LaSalle shareholders elect to receive the maximum cash consideration, we estimate that continuing Pebblebrook shareholders will own approximately 52.8% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the combined company and that former LaSalle security holders will own approximately 47.2% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the combined

company.

In connection with the proposed mergers, Pebblebrook and LaSalle will each hold a special meeting of its shareholders. At the special meeting of Pebblebrook shareholders, which we refer to as the Pebblebrook special meeting, Pebblebrook shareholders will be asked to vote on (i) a proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares to LaSalle shareholders pursuant to the merger agreement and (ii) a proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares in connection with the mergers. At the special meeting of the LaSalle shareholders, which we refer to as the LaSalle special meeting, LaSalle shareholders will be asked to vote on (i) a proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, (ii) an advisory (non-binding) proposal to approve certain compensation that may be paid or become payable to the named executive officers of LaSalle in connection with the mergers and (iii) a proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the LaSalle special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement.

The record date for determining the shareholders entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the Pebblebrook special meeting and the LaSalle special meeting is October 23, 2018. The mergers cannot be completed unless, among other matters, (i) LaSalle shareholders approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least  $66^2/3\%$  of the outstanding LaSalle common shares as of the record date and (ii) Pebblebrook shareholders approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares in connection with the mergers by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of all votes cast on such proposal.

Pebblebrook's Board of Trustees, which we refer to as the Pebblebrook Board, has unanimously (i) determined and declared that the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, including the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement, are advisable and in the best interests of Pebblebrook and its shareholders, (ii) approved the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement and (iii) authorized and approved the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement. The Pebblebrook Board unanimously recommends that Pebblebrook shareholders vote "FOR" the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares in connection with the mergers and "FOR" the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares in connection with the mergers.

LaSalle's Board of Trustees, which we refer to as the LaSalle Board, by a unanimous vote of all the trustees present (with only Stuart L. Scott not in attendance due to his hospitalization) (i) determined that the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement are advisable and in the best interests of LaSalle and its shareholders, (ii) authorized and approved each of the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement and (iii) approved and adopted the merger agreement. The LaSalle Board recommends that LaSalle shareholders vote "FOR" the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, "FOR" the advisory (non-binding) proposal to approve certain compensation that may be paid or become payable to the named executive officers of LaSalle in connection with the mergers and "FOR" the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the LaSalle special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement.

This joint proxy statement/prospectus contains important information about Pebblebrook, LaSalle, the mergers, the merger agreement and the special meetings. This document is also a prospectus relating to the Pebblebrook common shares, the Pebblebrook Series E preferred shares and the Pebblebrook Series F preferred shares that will be issued to LaSalle shareholders pursuant to the merger agreement. We encourage you to read this joint proxy statement/prospectus carefully before voting, including the section entitled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 50.

Your vote is very important, regardless of the number of Pebblebrook common shares and/or LaSalle common shares you own. Whether or not you plan to attend the Pebblebrook special meeting or the LaSalle special meeting, as applicable, please submit a proxy to vote your shares as promptly as possible to make sure that your Pebblebrook common shares and/or LaSalle common shares, as applicable, are represented at the applicable special meeting. Please review this joint proxy statement/prospectus for more complete information regarding the mergers, the Pebblebrook special meeting and the LaSalle special meeting.

Sincerely,

Jon E. Bortz

Michael D. Barnello

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

President and Chief Executive Officer

Pebblebrook Hotel Trust

LaSalle Hotel Properties

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission, nor any state securities regulatory authority has approved or disapproved of the mergers or the securities to be issued under this joint proxy statement/prospectus or has passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of the disclosure in this joint proxy statement/prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

This joint proxy statement/prospectus is dated [ • ], 2018, and is first being mailed to Pebblebrook shareholders and LaSalle shareholders on or about [ • ], 2018.

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### **Pebblebrook Hotel Trust**

7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100 West Bethesda, Maryland 20814 (240) 507-1300

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 27, 2018

To the shareholders of Pebblebrook Hotel Trust:

A special meeting of the shareholders of Pebblebrook Hotel Trust, a Maryland real estate investment trust, which we refer to as Pebblebrook, will be held on November 27, 2018, beginning at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the offices of Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP, 2200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20037, for the following purposes:

- To consider and vote on a proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares to the holders of common shares of LaSalle Hotel Properties, a Maryland real estate investment trust, which we refer to as LaSalle and certain holders of common units of LaSalle Hotel Operating Partnership, L.P., which we refer to as LaSalle OP, pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of September 6, 2018, as amended on September 18, 2018, and as it may be amended from time to time, which we refer to as the merger agreement, by and among Pebblebrook, Pebblebrook Hotel, L.P., Ping Merger Sub, LLC, Ping Merger OP, LP, LaSalle and LaSalle OP (a copy of the merger agreement is attached as Annex A to the joint proxy statement/prospectus accompanying this notice); and
- To consider and vote on a proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another
  date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance
  Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

Pebblebrook does not expect to transact any other business at the Pebblebrook special meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof. Please refer to the attached joint proxy statement/prospectus for further information with respect to the business to be transacted at the Pebblebrook special meeting. Pebblebrook's Board of Trustees, which we refer to as the Pebblebrook Board, has fixed the close of business on October 23, 2018 as the record date for determination of Pebblebrook shareholders entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the Pebblebrook special meeting and any adjournment thereof. Only holders of record of Pebblebrook common shares as of the close of business on the record date are entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the Pebblebrook special meeting.

Approval of each of the proposals to be considered at the Pebblebrook special meeting requires the affirmative vote of at least a majority of all votes cast by the holders of outstanding Pebblebrook common shares entitled to vote on each proposal. If you do not vote on the proposals this will have no effect on the result of the votes on such proposals. The company merger cannot be completed without the approval by Pebblebrook shareholders of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

The Pebblebrook Board has unanimously (i) determined and declared that the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement are advisable and in the best interests of Pebblebrook and its shareholders, (ii) approved the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement and (iii) authorized and approved the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

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The Pebblebrook Board unanimously recommends that Pebblebrook shareholders vote "FOR" the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement and "FOR" the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

### YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

Whether or not you plan to attend the Pebblebrook special meeting, please submit a proxy to vote your Pebblebrook common shares as promptly as possible to make sure that your Pebblebrook common shares are represented at the Pebblebrook special meeting. If Pebblebrook shareholders of record return properly executed proxies but do not indicate how their Pebblebrook common shares should be voted on a proposal, the Pebblebrook common shares represented by such properly executed proxy will be voted as the Pebblebrook Board recommends and, therefore, "FOR" the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement and "FOR" the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement. Even if you plan to attend the Pebblebrook special meeting in person, we urge you to submit your proxy as promptly as possible by (1) accessing the website specified on your proxy card, (2) calling the toll-free number specified on your proxy card or (3) completing, signing, dating and returning the enclosed proxy card in the accompanying postage-paid envelope prior to the Pebblebrook special meeting to ensure that your Pebblebrook common shares will be represented and voted at the Pebblebrook special meeting.

To submit a proxy, complete, sign, date and mail your proxy card in the postage-paid envelope provided or, if the option is available to you, call the toll-free telephone number listed on your proxy card or use the Internet as described in the instructions on the accompanying proxy card to submit your proxy. Submitting a proxy will assure that your vote is counted at the Pebblebrook special meeting if you do not attend in person. If your Pebblebrook common shares are held in "street name" by your broker or other nominee, only your broker or other nominee can vote your Pebblebrook common shares, but the vote cannot be cast unless (1) you provide instructions to your broker or other nominee on how to vote or (2) you obtain a legal proxy from your broker or other nominee. You should follow the directions provided by your broker or other nominee regarding how to instruct your broker or other nominee to vote your Pebblebrook common shares. You may revoke your proxy at any time before it is voted. Please review the joint proxy statement/prospectus accompanying this notice for more complete information regarding the mergers and the Pebblebrook special meeting.

This notice and the enclosed joint proxy statement/prospectus are first being mailed to Pebblebrook shareholders on or about [ • ], 2018. If you have any questions or need assistance in submitting a proxy or your voting instructions, please call Pebblebrook's proxy solicitor, Okapi Partners LLC, toll-free at (855) 305-0855.

By Order of the Board of Trustees of Pebblebrook Hotel Trust

Raymond D. Martz

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial

Officer, Treasurer and Secretary

Bethesda, Maryland
[ • ], 2018

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### **LaSalle Hotel Properties**

7550 Wisconsin Avenue, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Bethesda, Maryland 20814 (301) 941-1500

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 27, 2018

To the shareholders of LaSalle Hotel Properties:

Holders of common shares of beneficial interest of LaSalle Hotel Properties, a Maryland real estate investment trust, which we refer to as LaSalle, are cordially invited to attend a special meeting of shareholders of LaSalle to be held on November 27, 2018 at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the Sofitel Washington DC Lafayette Square, 806 15<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Washington, DC 20005. The LaSalle special meeting is being held for the purpose of acting on the following matters:

- 1.

  To consider and vote on a proposal to approve the merger of LaSalle with and into Ping Merger Sub, LLC, which we refer to as the company merger, and the other transactions contemplated by the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of September 6, 2018, as amended on September 18, 2018, and as it may be amended from time to time, which we refer to as the merger agreement, by and among Pebblebrook Hotel Trust, Pebblebrook Hotel, L.P., Ping Merger Sub, LLC, Ping Merger OP, LP, LaSalle and LaSalle Hotel Operating Partnership, L.P., which we refer to as the merger proposal;
- 2. To consider and vote on a proposal to approve, on a non-binding, advisory basis, the compensation that may be paid or become payable to LaSalle's named executive officers that is based on or otherwise relates to the company merger, which we refer to as the LaSalle advisory (non-binding) proposal on specified compensation; and
- To consider and vote on a proposal to approve any adjournment of the LaSalle special meeting for the purpose of soliciting additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the LaSalle special meeting to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, which we refer to as the LaSalle adjournment proposal.

The foregoing items of business are more fully described in the attached joint proxy statement/prospectus, which forms a part of this notice and is incorporated herein by reference. Pursuant to LaSalle's bylaws, no business may be transacted at the LaSalle special meeting except as specifically designated in this Notice of Special Meeting. The board of trustees of LaSalle, which we refer to as the LaSalle Board, has fixed the close of business on October 23, 2018 as the record date for the determination of LaSalle shareholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the LaSalle special meeting or any postponement or adjournment thereof.

The LaSalle Board has (1) approved the merger agreement, the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, (2) determined and declared that the merger agreement, the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement are advisable and in the best interests of LaSalle, its shareholders and the limited partners of LaSalle Hotel Operating Partnership, L.P. and (3) resolved to recommend that the LaSalle shareholders approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement. The LaSalle Board recommends that you vote "FOR" the merger proposal, "FOR" the LaSalle advisory (non-binding) proposal on specified compensation and "FOR" the LaSalle adjournment proposal.

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All holders of record of LaSalle common shares and LaSalle preferred shares as of the record date, which was the close of business on October 23, 2018, are entitled to receive notice of the LaSalle special meeting or any postponement or adjournment of the LaSalle special meeting. However, only holders of LaSalle common shares as of the record date are entitled to attend and to vote at the LaSalle special meeting or any postponement or adjournment of the LaSalle special meeting. Holders of LaSalle preferred shares are entitled to notice of the LaSalle special meeting, but are not entitled to attend or to vote at the LaSalle special meeting, and no vote or proxy is being solicited from the holders of LaSalle preferred shares.

### YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

The merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement must be approved by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least  $66^2/3\%$  of LaSalle's outstanding common shares as of the record date for the LaSalle special meeting. Accordingly, your vote is very important regardless of the number of LaSalle common shares that you own. Whether or not you plan to attend the LaSalle special meeting, LaSalle requests that you authorize your proxy to vote your LaSalle common shares by either marking, signing, dating and promptly returning the enclosed LaSalle proxy card in the postage-paid envelope or authorizing your proxy or voting instructions by telephone or through the Internet. If you attend the LaSalle special meeting, you may continue to have your LaSalle common shares voted as instructed in the proxy, or you may withdraw your proxy at the LaSalle special meeting and vote your LaSalle common shares in person. If you fail to vote by proxy or in person, or fail to instruct your broker or other nominee on how to vote, the effect will be that your LaSalle common shares will not be counted for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present at the LaSalle special meeting and will have the same effect as a vote "AGAINST" the merger proposal.

The approval of the LaSalle advisory (non-binding) proposal on specified compensation and the approval of the LaSalle adjournment proposal each requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on the proposal. If you fail to vote by proxy or in person, or fail to instruct your broker or other nominee on how to vote, such failure will have no effect on the outcome of such proposals. Abstentions are not considered votes cast and therefore will have no effect on the outcome of such proposals.

Any proxy may be revoked at any time prior to its exercise by delivery of a properly executed, later-dated LaSalle proxy card, by authorizing your proxy or voting instructions by telephone or through the Internet at a later date than your previously authorized proxy, by submitting a written revocation of your proxy to LaSalle's Corporate Secretary, or by voting in person at the LaSalle special meeting. Attendance alone will not be sufficient to revoke a previously authorized proxy.

Under Maryland law, because LaSalle common shares were listed on the New York Stock Exchange at the close of business on the record date, you do not have any appraisal rights, dissenters' rights or the rights of an objecting shareholder in connection with the company merger. In addition, LaSalle common shareholders may not exercise any appraisal rights, dissenters' rights or the rights of an objecting shareholder to receive the fair value of the shareholder's LaSalle common shares in connection with the merger because, as permitted by Maryland law, LaSalle's declaration of trust provides that LaSalle shareholders are not entitled to exercise such rights unless expressly required by the Maryland REIT Law.

LaSalle encourages you to read the accompanying joint proxy statement/prospectus carefully and in its entirety and to submit a proxy or voting instructions so that your LaSalle common shares will be represented and voted even if you do not attend the LaSalle special meeting. If you have any questions or need assistance in submitting a proxy or your voting instructions, please call LaSalle's proxy solicitor, MacKenzie Partners, Inc., toll-free at (800) 322-2885.

By Order of the Board of Trustees of LaSalle Hotel Properties

> Michael D. Barnello President and Chief Executive Officer

Bethesda, Maryland
[ • ], 2018

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### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This joint proxy statement/prospectus incorporates important business and financial information about Pebblebrook and LaSalle from other documents that are not included in or delivered with this joint proxy statement/prospectus. See "Where You Can Find More Information and Incorporation by Reference" beginning on page 252.

Documents incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus are also available to Pebblebrook shareholders and LaSalle shareholders without charge upon written or oral request. You can obtain any of these documents by requesting them in writing or by telephone from the appropriate company at the following addresses and telephone numbers:

Pebblebrook Hotel Trust 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100 West Bethesda, Maryland 20814 Attention: Investor Relations (240) 507-1300 www.pebblebrookhotels.com LaSalle Hotel Properties 7550 Wisconsin Avenue, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Bethesda, Maryland 20814 Attention: Investor Relations (301) 941-1500 www.lasallehotels.com

To receive timely delivery of the requested documents in advance of the special meetings, you should make your request before November 20, 2018.

### ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

This joint proxy statement/prospectus, which forms part of a registration statement on Form S-4 filed by Pebblebrook (File No. 333-227405) with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, which we refer to as the SEC, constitutes a prospectus of Pebblebrook for purposes of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, which we refer to as the Securities Act, with respect to the Pebblebrook common shares, Pebblebrook Series E preferred shares and Pebblebrook Series F preferred shares to be issued to LaSalle shareholders in exchange for LaSalle common shares, LaSalle Series I preferred shares and LaSalle Series J preferred shares as well as any limited partner of LaSalle OP who elects to receive Pebblebrook common shares, as applicable, pursuant to the merger agreement. This joint proxy statement/prospectus also constitutes a proxy statement for each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which we refer to as the Exchange Act. In addition, it constitutes a notice of meeting with respect to the Pebblebrook special meeting and a notice of meeting with respect to the LaSalle special meeting.

You should rely only on the information contained in, or incorporated by reference into, this joint proxy statement/prospectus. No one has been authorized to provide you with information that is different from such information. This joint proxy statement/prospectus is dated [ • ], 2018. You should not assume that the information contained in, or incorporated by reference into, this joint proxy statement/prospectus is accurate as of any date other than that date or the date of the information incorporated into this joint proxy statement/prospectus, respectively. Neither our mailing of this joint proxy statement/prospectus to Pebblebrook shareholders and LaSalle shareholders nor the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares or Pebblebrook preferred shares to LaSalle shareholders and the limited partners of LaSalle OP (other than LaSalle and its affiliates) pursuant to the merger agreement will create any implication to the contrary.

This joint proxy statement/prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy, any securities, or the solicitation of a proxy, in any jurisdiction in which or from any person to whom it is unlawful to make any such offer or solicitation in such jurisdiction. Information contained in this joint proxy statement/prospectus regarding Pebblebrook has been provided by Pebblebrook and information contained in this joint proxy statement/prospectus regarding LaSalle has been provided by LaSalle.

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#### **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

The following are answers to some questions you may have regarding the proposed transactions between Pebblebrook and LaSalle. Pebblebrook and LaSalle urge you to read carefully this entire joint proxy statement/prospectus, including the Annexes and the documents incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus, because the information in this section does not provide all the information that might be important to you.

Unless stated otherwise, all references in this joint proxy statement/prospectus to:

"cash consideration" mean \$37.80 in cash per LaSalle common share to be paid by Pebblebrook in the company merger, for up to 30% of the LaSalle common shares outstanding immediately prior to the company merger, subject to the terms and limitations in the merger agreement;

"combined company" are to Pebblebrook and its consolidated subsidiaries after the completion of the mergers;

"company merger" are to the merger of LaSalle with and into Merger Sub, with Merger Sub surviving the merger;

"Exchange Act" are to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended;

"LaSalle" are to LaSalle Hotel Properties, a Maryland real estate investment trust;

"LaSalle Board" are to the Board of Trustees of LaSalle;

"LaSalle common shares" are to the common shares of beneficial interest, \$.01 par value per share, of LaSalle;

"LaSalle OP" are to LaSalle Hotel Operating Partnership, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, whose sole general partner is LaSalle;

"LaSalle OP common units" are to common units of limited partnership interest in LaSalle OP;

"LaSalle parties" are to both LaSalle and LaSalle OP;

"LaSalle Series I preferred shares" are to the 6.375% Series I Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, \$.01 par value per share, of LaSalle;

"LaSalle Series I preferred units" are to units of limited partnership interest in LaSalle OP designated as 6.375% Series I Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Partnership Units;

"LaSalle Series J preferred shares" are to the 6.3% Series J Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, \$.01 par value per share, of LaSalle;

"LaSalle Series J preferred units" are to units of limited partnership interest in LaSalle OP designated as 6.3% Series J Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Partnership Units;

"merger agreement" are to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of September 6, 2018, by and among the Pebblebrook parties and the LaSalle parties, as amended on September 18, 2018, and as it may be amended from time to time, a copy of which is attached as Annex A to this joint proxy statement/prospectus;

"merger consideration" mean the right of a holder of a LaSalle common share to receive, at the election of the holder, the share consideration or the cash consideration, subject to certain adjustments and limitations in the merger agreement;

"mergers" are to both the company merger and the partnership merger;

"Merger OP" are to Ping Merger OP, LP, a Delaware limited partnership, whose sole general partner is Merger OP GP;

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"Merger OP GP" are to Ping Merger OP GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, whose sole member is Pebblebrook OP;

"Merger Sub" are to Ping Merger Sub, LLC, a Maryland limited liability company and wholly owned subsidiary of Pebblebrook;

"NYSE" are to the New York Stock Exchange;

"end date" are to March 6, 2019;

"partnership merger" are to the merger of Merger OP with and into LaSalle OP, with LaSalle OP surviving the merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of Pebblebrook OP;

"Pebblebrook" are to Pebblebrook Hotel Trust, a Maryland real estate investment trust;

"Pebblebrook Board" are to the Board of Trustees of Pebblebrook;

"Pebblebrook common shares" are to common shares of beneficial interest of Pebblebrook, \$0.01 par value per share;

"Pebblebrook OP common units" are to units of limited partnership interest in Pebblebrook OP;

"Pebblebrook OP" are to Pebblebrook Hotel, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, whose sole general partner is Pebblebrook;

"Pebblebrook parties" are to, collectively, Pebblebrook, Pebblebrook OP, Merger Sub and Merger OP;

"Pebblebrook preferred shares" are to, together, Pebblebrook Series E preferred shares and Pebblebrook Series F preferred shares;

"Pebblebrook Series E preferred shares" are to 6.375% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, \$0.01 par value per share, of Pebblebrook;

"Pebblebrook Series E preferred units" are to units of limited partnership interest in Pebblebrook OP designated as 6.375% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Units;

"Pebblebrook Series F preferred shares" are to 6.3% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, \$0.01 par value per share, of Pebblebrook;

"Pebblebrook Series F preferred units" are to units of limited partnership interest in Pebblebrook OP designated as 6.3% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Units;

"SEC" are to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission;

"Securities Act" are to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended;

"share consideration" mean 0.92 validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable Pebblebrook common shares;

"surviving entity" are to Merger Sub, a wholly owned subsidiary of Pebblebrook, after the effective time of the company merger; and

"surviving partnership" are to LaSalle OP after the effective time of the partnership merger.

# Q: What is the proposed transaction?

A:

Pebblebrook and LaSalle have entered into the merger agreement, pursuant to which (i) LaSalle will merge with and into Merger Sub, with Merger Sub surviving the merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of Pebblebrook, and (ii) Merger OP will merge with and into LaSalle OP, with LaSalle OP surviving the merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of Pebblebrook OP.

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### What will happen in the proposed transaction?

A:

At the effective time of the company merger, pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement, (i) each issued and outstanding LaSalle common share will be converted into the right to receive, at the election of the holder: (a) 0.92, which we refer to as the exchange ratio, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable Pebblebrook common shares or (b) \$37.80 in cash, which we refer to as the cash consideration, subject to certain adjustments and to any applicable withholding tax (ii) each LaSalle Series I preferred share will be converted into the right to receive one validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable Pebblebrook Series E preferred share; and (iii) each LaSalle Series J preferred share will be converted into the right to receive one validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable Pebblebrook Series F preferred share. The maximum number of LaSalle common shares eligible to be converted into the right to receive the cash consideration will be equal to 30% of the aggregate number of LaSalle common shares issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the mergers. LaSalle common shares held by Pebblebrook will be excluded from the cash election in the company merger, effectively increasing the maximum cash shares to approximately 33% of the aggregate number of LaSalle common shares outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger.

Additionally, immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger, pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement, (i) each outstanding restricted LaSalle common share will vest and all restrictions thereon will lapse, and each such share will be converted into the right to submit an election and receive the merger consideration; (ii) each outstanding LaSalle performance award will automatically become earned and vested with respect to 180% of the target number of LaSalle common shares subject to such LaSalle performance share award agreement, and each such LaSalle common share will be cancelled and each holder thereof will have the right to submit an election and receive the merger consideration; and (iii) each outstanding award of deferred LaSalle common shares will be cancelled and each holder thereof will have the right to submit an election and receive the merger consideration for the number of LaSalle common shares subject to such award (prior to its cancellation).

At the effective time of the partnership merger, pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement, (i) each unit of general partner interest in LaSalle OP shall be cancelled and no payment shall be made thereon; (ii) all of the LaSalle Series I preferred units shall be converted into the right to receive an equal number of Pebblebrook Series E preferred units; (iii) all of the LaSalle Series J preferred units shall be converted into the right to receive an equal number of Pebblebrook Series F preferred units; and (iv) each LaSalle OP common unit held by limited partners in LaSalle OP (other than LaSalle or its affiliates) shall be cancelled and converted into the right to receive, at the holder's election, either Pebblebrook OP common units in an amount equal to the exchange ratio, without interest, or LaSalle common shares in an amount equal to the exchange ratio, without interest, which shares would then be cancelled in exchange for the right to receive the share consideration.

LaSalle shareholders and LaSalle OP unitholders that receive Pebblebrook common shares will not receive any fractional Pebblebrook common shares or fractional Pebblebrook OP common units in the mergers and instead will be paid cash (without interest) in lieu of any fractional share or unit to which they would otherwise be entitled.

See "The Merger Agreement Treatment of LaSalle Common Shares, LaSalle Preferred Shares, LaSalle Restricted Shares, LaSalle Performance Shares and LaSalle Deferred Shares" beginning on page 204 and "The Merger Agreement Treatment of Interests in LaSalle OP" beginning on page 207.

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If I am a LaSalle shareholder, do I need to make an election in order to receive the cash consideration?

If you want to elect to receive the cash consideration and you hold your LaSalle common shares in "street name" (i.e., through a bank, brokerage firm or other nominee), you may do so at any time up until the election deadline established by your nominee. That election deadline may be earlier than November 26, 2018, therefore you should carefully read any materials received from your bank, brokerage firm or other nominee, and you should follow the procedures established by your bank, brokerage firm or other nominee in order to make an election.

Each holder of record of LaSalle common shares (holding directly through LaSalle's transfer agent) (other than excluded shares) or of a LaSalle compensatory award issued and outstanding at the close of business on the record date will have the right to submit an election to receive the cash consideration or the common share consideration by delivering an election form to the exchange agent prior to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on November 26, 2018, which is the business day immediately prior to the LaSalle special meeting, which we refer to as the election deadline. LaSalle will mail the election form to the record holders of LaSalle common shares and LaSalle compensatory awards concurrently with the mailing of this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

An election may be revoked by a record holder of LaSalle common shares by delivering written notice to the exchange agent prior to the election deadline. If an election is revoked by a record holder, the LaSalle common shares subject to such revoked election will be deemed to have elected to receive the common share consideration unless a new election is made prior to the election deadline. LaSalle common shareholders who hold their LaSalle common shares in street name will need to follow the procedures established by their bank, brokerage firm or other nominee in order to revoke an election.

For more information about the election procedures, see "The Merger Agreement Treatment of LaSalle Common Shares, LaSalle Preferred Shares, LaSalle Restricted Shares, LaSalle Performance Shares and LaSalle Deferred Shares" beginning on page 204.

- Q: What happens if I do not make a valid election in accordance with the election form?
- A:

  If you do not return a properly completed and signed election form by the election deadline, your LaSalle common shares will be converted into the right to receive Pebblebrook common shares in accordance with the procedures specified in the merger agreement. If you hold LaSalle common shares in street name, you may be subject to an earlier election deadline established by your nominee. Therefore, you should carefully read any materials received from your bank, brokerage firm or other nominee, and you should follow the procedures established by your bank, brokerage firm or other nominee in order to make an election. For more information about the proration procedures, see "The Merger Agreement Treatment of LaSalle Common Shares, LaSalle Preferred Shares, LaSalle Restricted Shares, LaSalle Performance Shares and LaSalle Deferred Shares" beginning on page 204.
- Q:

  Are there limits on the number of LaSalle common shares eligible to be converted into the right to receive the cash consideration?
- Under the terms of the merger agreement, the number of LaSalle common shares that is eligible to receive the cash consideration is subject to proration. The maximum number of LaSalle common shares eligible to be converted into the right to receive the cash consideration, which we refer to as the maximum cash shares, is equal to 30% of the aggregate number of LaSalle common shares issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger (including LaSalle common shares relating to the LaSalle compensatory awards that become or are deemed to be issued or outstanding). LaSalle common shares held by Pebblebrook will be excluded

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from the cash election in the company merger, effectively increasing the maximum cash shares to approximately 33% of the aggregate number of LaSalle common shares outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger.

If the aggregate number of cash election shares exceeds the number of maximum cash shares, the number of cash election shares designated by any holder of LaSalle common shares as a cash election will be subject to pro rata reduction as follows: For each such cash election, the number of such holder's LaSalle common shares that will be converted into the right to receive the cash consideration will be equal to (1) the number of such holder's cash election shares multiplied by (2) the merger cash proration factor, rounded down to the nearest whole LaSalle common share. The merger cash proration factor means a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of maximum cash shares and the denominator of which is the aggregate number of all cash election shares. Any cash election shares that were not converted into the right to receive cash consideration in accordance with such calculation will be converted into the right to receive the common share consideration.

Q: How will Pebblebrook shareholders be affected by the mergers and the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares in connection with the mergers?

After the mergers, each Pebblebrook shareholder will continue to own the Pebblebrook common shares that such shareholder held immediately prior to the effective time of the mergers. As a result of the merger, each Pebblebrook shareholder will own common shares in the combined company. However, because Pebblebrook will be issuing new Pebblebrook common shares to LaSalle shareholders in exchange for LaSalle common shares in the company merger, each Pebblebrook common share outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger will represent a smaller percentage of the aggregate number of common shares of the combined company outstanding after the mergers. Upon completion of the mergers, we estimate that ownership of the issued and outstanding common shares of the combined company will be as follows (in each case assuming that all of the limited partners (excluding LaSalle and its affiliates) of LaSalle OP elect to receive Pebblebrook common shares instead of Pebblebrook OP common units):

If all LaSalle shareholders elect to receive the maximum cash amount, then Pebblebrook shareholders will own approximately 52.8% and former LaSalle security holders will own approximately 47.2%; and

If all LaSalle shareholders elect to receive Pebblebrook common shares, then Pebblebrook shareholders will own approximately 42.7% and former LaSalle security holders will own approximately 57.3%.

- Q:
   What happens if the market prices of Pebblebrook common shares or LaSalle common shares change before completion of the mergers?
- A:

  No change will be made to the exchange ratio or cash consideration if the market prices of Pebblebrook common shares or LaSalle common shares change before completion of the mergers. As a result, the value of the merger consideration to be received by LaSalle shareholders in the mergers will increase or decrease depending on the market price of Pebblebrook common shares at the effective time of the company merger.
- Q: Why am I receiving this joint proxy statement/prospectus?
- The Pebblebrook Board and the LaSalle Board are using this joint proxy statement/prospectus to solicit proxies of Pebblebrook shareholders and LaSalle shareholders, respectively, in connection with approval of the mergers and related transactions. In addition, Pebblebrook is using this joint

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proxy statement/prospectus as a prospectus for the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement. The mergers cannot be completed unless, among other things:

the holders of Pebblebrook common shares vote to approve the issuance of the Pebblebrook common shares in connection with the mergers; and

the holders of LaSalle common shares vote to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement.

Pebblebrook and LaSalle will hold separate meetings of their respective shareholders to obtain these approvals and to consider other proposals as described elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

This joint proxy statement/prospectus contains important information about the mergers and the other proposals being voted on at the special meetings and you should read it carefully. The enclosed voting materials allow you to vote your Pebblebrook common shares and/or LaSalle common shares, as applicable, without attending the applicable special meeting.

Your vote is important. You are encouraged to submit your proxy as promptly as possible.

# Q: Am I being asked to vote on any other proposals at the special meetings in addition to the merger proposals?

*Pebblebrook.* At the Pebblebrook special meeting, Pebblebrook shareholders will be asked to consider and vote upon the following additional proposal:

To approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

*LaSalle*. At the LaSalle special meeting, LaSalle shareholders will be asked to consider and vote upon the following additional proposals:

A non-binding advisory proposal to approve certain compensation that may be paid or become payable to certain executive officers of LaSalle in connection with the merger agreement and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement; and

To approve one or more adjournments of the LaSalle special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement.

# Q: Why are Pebblebrook and LaSalle proposing the mergers?

Among other reasons, if completed, the combined company is expected to have a pro forma enterprise value of approximately \$7.6 billion and a total market capitalization of approximately \$4.3 billion (in each case based on the closing price per share of Pebblebrook common shares on October 25, 2018, which is the most recent practical date prior to the date of this joint proxy statement/prospectus, and assuming that all LaSalle shareholders elect to receive the maximum cash amount). We refer to an entity that qualifies as, and elects to be taxed as, a real estate investment trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a REIT. In addition, the combined company is expected to benefit from a lower cost of capital and the creation of synergies resulting from the elimination of duplicative corporate functions. To review in greater detail the reasons the Pebblebrook Board and the LaSalle Board recommended the mergers, see "The Mergers Recommendation of the Pebblebrook Board and Its Reasons for the Mergers" beginning on page 122

and "The Mergers" Recommendation of the LaSalle Board and Its Reasons for the Mergers" beginning on page 118.

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# Q: Will Pebblebrook and LaSalle continue to pay dividends or distributions prior to completion of the mergers?

The merger agreement permits the authorization, declaration and payment by Pebblebrook of regular quarterly dividends and by Pebblebrook OP of regular quarterly distributions, payable in accordance with past practice at a quarterly rate not to exceed (i) \$0.38 per Pebblebrook common share and Pebblebrook OP common unit, (ii) \$0.40625 per Pebblebrook Series C preferred share and unit and (iii) \$0.39844 per Pebblebrook Series D preferred share and unit, as well as any distribution that is required to maintain its REIT qualification or to avoid the incurrence of federal income or excise tax.

The merger agreement prohibits the authorization, declaration and payment by LaSalle of regular quarterly dividends on LaSalle common shares and by LaSalle OP of regular quarterly distributions on LaSalle OP common units. However, the merger agreement permits the authorization, declaration and payment by LaSalle of regular quarterly dividends, payable in accordance with past practice at a quarterly rate not to exceed (i) \$0.3984375 per LaSalle Series I preferred share and unit and (ii) \$0.39375 per LaSalle Series J preferred share and unit, as well as any distribution that is required to maintain its REIT qualification or to avoid the imposition of federal income or excise tax. The merger agreement also permits, subject to certain conditions, the authorization, declaration and payment by LaSalle of a dividend if the mergers are not complete on or prior to December 31, 2018. The per-share dividend amount of such a dividend shall be payable by LaSalle on LaSalle common shares in an amount equal to \$0.90 per LaSalle common share, multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days after and including January 1, 2019 through and including the date on which the dividend will be paid and the denominator of which is 365.

# Q: When and where will the special meetings be held?

A:

The Pebblebrook special meeting will be held on November 27, 2018, beginning at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the offices of Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP, 2200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20037.

The LaSalle special meeting will be held on November 27, 2018, beginning at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the Sofitel Washington DC Lafayette Square, 806 15th street NW, Washington, DC 20005.

# Q: Who can vote at the special meetings?

*Pebblebrook.* All holders of Pebblebrook common shares as of the close of business on October 23, 2018, which is the record date for determining the Pebblebrook shareholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the Pebblebrook special meeting, are entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the Pebblebrook special meeting. As of the record date, there were 69,039,917 Pebblebrook common shares outstanding and entitled to vote at the Pebblebrook special meeting, held by approximately 19 holders of record. Each Pebblebrook common share is entitled to one vote on each proposal presented at the Pebblebrook special meeting.

LaSalle. All holders of LaSalle common shares as of the close of business on October 23, 2018, which is the record date for determining LaSalle shareholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the LaSalle special meeting, are entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the LaSalle special meeting. As of the record date, there were 110,397,737 LaSalle common shares outstanding and entitled to vote at the LaSalle special meeting, held by approximately 50 holders of record. Each LaSalle common share is entitled to one vote on each proposal presented at the LaSalle special meeting. Holders of LaSalle preferred shares are entitled to notice of the LaSalle special meeting but are not entitled to attend or vote at the LaSalle special meeting and no vote or proxy is being solicited from the holders of LaSalle preferred shares.

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### What constitutes a quorum?

A:

*Pebblebrook*. Pebblebrook's bylaws provide that the presence, in person or by proxy, of shareholders entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast at such meeting on any matter will constitute a quorum.

LaSalle. LaSalle's bylaws provide that the presence, in person or by proxy, of shareholders entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast at such meeting will constitute a quorum.

Shares that are voted, in person or by proxy, and shares abstaining from voting are treated as present at each of the special meetings for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present.

Q:

### What vote is required to approve the proposals?

A:

Pebblebrook.

Approval of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement requires the affirmative vote of at least a majority of all votes cast on such proposal.

Approval of the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement requires the affirmative vote of at least a majority of all votes cast on such proposal.

LaSalle.

Approval of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement requires the affirmative vote of at least  $66^2/3\%$  of all the votes entitled to be cast on such proposal.

Approval of the non-binding advisory proposal to approve certain compensation that may be paid or become payable to certain executive officers of LaSalle in connection with the merger agreement and the transactions contemplated by the merger agreement requires the affirmative vote of at least a majority of all votes cast on such proposal.

Approval of the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the LaSalle special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement requires, whether or not a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of at least a majority of all votes cast on such proposal.

Q:

### How does the Pebblebrook Board recommend that Pebblebrook shareholders vote on the proposals?

A:

The Pebblebrook Board has unanimously (i) determined and declared that the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement are advisable and in the best interests of Pebblebrook and Pebblebrook shareholders, (ii) approved the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement and (iii) authorized and approved the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement. The Pebblebrook Board unanimously recommends that Pebblebrook shareholders vote "FOR" the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement and "FOR" the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special

meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit

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additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

For a more complete description of the recommendation of the Pebblebrook Board, see "The Mergers" Recommendation of the Pebblebrook Board and Its Reasons for the Mergers" beginning on page 122.

# Q: How does the LaSalle Board recommend that LaSalle shareholders vote on the proposals?

The LaSalle Board, by a unanimous vote of all trustees present (with only Mr. Scott not present due to his hospitalization), (i) determined that the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement are advisable and in the best interests of LaSalle and LaSalle shareholders, (ii) authorized and approved the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement and (iii) approved and adopted the merger agreement. The LaSalle Board, by a unanimous vote of all trustees present (with only Mr. Scott not present due to his hospitalization), recommends that LaSalle shareholders vote "FOR" the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, "FOR" the non-binding advisory proposal to approve certain compensation that may be paid or become payable to certain executive officers of LaSalle in connection with the merger agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby and "FOR" the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the LaSalle special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement.

For a more complete description of the recommendation of the LaSalle Board, see "The Mergers" Recommendation of the LaSalle Board and Its Reasons for the Mergers" beginning on page 118.

# Q: Do any of LaSalle's executive officers or trustees have interests in the mergers that may differ from those of other LaSalle shareholders?

A:

LaSalle's executive officers and trustees have interests in the mergers that are different from, or in addition to, the interests of other LaSalle shareholders. The LaSalle Board was aware of and considered these interests, among other matters, in evaluating the merger agreement and the mergers, and in recommending that LaSalle shareholders vote "FOR" the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement. For a description of these interests, see the section entitled "The Mergers Interests of LaSalle's Trustees, Executive Officers and Employees in the Mergers" beginning on page 155.

### Who will be the trustees and management of the combined company?

A:

All seven current members of the Pebblebrook Board will continue to serve as the trustees of the combined company. No members of the LaSalle Board will serve as trustees of the combined company.

The current executive officers of Pebblebrook will continue to serve as the executive officers of the combined company, with Jon E. Bortz continuing to serve as President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of the combined company. See "Trustees and Management of the Combined Company After the Mergers" beginning on page 235.

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- Q:

  Are there any conditions to completion of the mergers that must be satisfied for the mergers to be completed?
- A:

  In addition to the approval of Pebblebrook shareholders of the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement and the approval of LaSalle shareholders of the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, there are a number of customary conditions that must be satisfied or waived for the mergers to be consummated. For a description of all of the conditions to the mergers, see "The Merger Agreement Conditions to the Mergers" beginning on page 228.
- Q:

  Are there risks associated with the mergers that I should consider in deciding how to vote?
- A:
  Yes. There are a number of risks related to the mergers that are discussed in this joint proxy statement/prospectus described in the section entitled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 50.
- Q:

  If my Pebblebrook common shares or my LaSalle common shares are held in "street name" by my broker or other nominee, will my broker or other nominee vote my Pebblebrook common shares or my LaSalle common shares for me? What happens if I do not vote for a proposal?
- A:

  Unless you instruct your broker or other nominee how to vote your Pebblebrook common shares and/or your LaSalle common shares, as applicable, held in street name, your shares will NOT be voted. If you hold your Pebblebrook common shares and/or your LaSalle common shares in a brokerage account or if your shares are held by a broker or other nominee (that is, in street name), in order for your shares to be present and voted at the applicable special meeting, you must provide your broker or other nominee with instructions on how to vote your shares.

If you are a Pebblebrook shareholder, abstentions will be counted in determining the presence of a quorum. Abstentions will have no effect on the outcome of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares in connection with the mergers. Abstentions will have no effect on the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

If you are a LaSalle shareholder, abstentions will be counted in determining the presence of a quorum. **Abstentions will have the same effect as votes AGAINST the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement**. Abstentions will have no effect on the outcome of (i) the non-binding advisory proposal to approve certain compensation that may be paid or become payable to certain executive officers of LaSalle in connection with the merger agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby or (ii) the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the LaSalle special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement.

- Q:
  Will my rights as a shareholder of Pebblebrook or LaSalle change as a result of the mergers?
- A:

  The rights of Pebblebrook shareholders will be unchanged as a result of the mergers. LaSalle shareholders will have different rights following completion of the mergers due to the differences between the governing documents of Pebblebrook and LaSalle. For more information regarding the differences in shareholder rights, see "Comparison of Rights of Pebblebrook Shareholders and LaSalle Shareholders" beginning on page 246.

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Q: When are the mergers expected to be completed?

A:

Pebblebrook and LaSalle expect to complete the mergers as soon as reasonably practicable following satisfaction of all of the required conditions. If LaSalle shareholders approve the company merger, Pebblebrook shareholders approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares in connection with the mergers and the other conditions to completion of the mergers are satisfied or waived, it is currently expected that the mergers will be completed on November 30, 2018. However, there is no guarantee that the conditions to the mergers will be satisfied or that the mergers will close.

Q:
 If I am a LaSalle shareholder and my LaSalle common shares are in certificated form, do I need to do anything with my share certificates now?

No. You should not submit your share certificates at this time. After the mergers are completed, if you held LaSalle common shares, the exchange agent for Pebblebrook will send you a letter of transmittal and instructions for exchanging your LaSalle common shares for Pebblebrook common shares or cash, as applicable, pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement. Upon surrender of a certificate or book-entry share for cancellation along with the executed letter of transmittal and other required documents described in the instructions, a LaSalle shareholder will receive Pebblebrook common shares or cash, as applicable, pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement.

Q: What are the anticipated U.S. federal income tax consequences to me of the proposed mergers?

It is intended that the company merger will qualify as a reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which we refer to as the Code. The completion of the mergers is conditioned on the receipt by each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle of an opinion from counsel to the effect that the company merger will qualify as a reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Code. Assuming that the company merger qualifies as a reorganization, the tax consequences for U.S. holders (as defined elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/prospectus) of LaSalle common shares who receive Pebblebrook common shares and/or cash in exchange for their shares in connection with the company merger generally will be as follows:

if a LaSalle shareholder receives solely Pebblebrook common shares, such shareholder generally will not recognize any gain or loss, except with respect to cash received in lieu of fractional Pebblebrook common shares;

if a LaSalle shareholder receives solely cash, such shareholder generally will recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount of cash received and the shareholder's tax basis in its LaSalle common shares; and

if a LaSalle shareholder receives a combination of Pebblebrook common shares and cash, such shareholder generally will recognize gain (but not loss) in an amount equal to the lesser of (1) the sum of the cash and the fair market value of the Pebblebrook common shares received, minus the shareholder's tax basis in its LaSalle common shares, and (2) the amount of cash received.

Non-U.S. holders (as defined herein) who receive some or all of the merger consideration in cash may be subject to U.S. withholding tax with respect to the cash consideration. Holders of LaSalle common shares should read the discussion under the heading "The Mergers Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences" beginning on page 164 and consult their tax advisors to determine the tax consequences to them (including the application and effect of any state, local or non-U.S. income and other tax laws) of the company merger.

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Are LaSalle shareholders entitled to appraisal rights?

A:

No. LaSalle shareholders are not entitled to exercise appraisal rights in connection with the mergers. See "The Merger Agreement No Appraisal Rights" beginning on page 210 for more information.

Q: What do I need to do now?

A:
1) Submit your proxy.

After you have carefully read this joint proxy statement/prospectus, please respond by completing, signing and dating your proxy card or voting instruction card and returning it in the enclosed preaddressed postage-paid envelope or, if available, by submitting your proxy by one of the other methods specified in your proxy card or voting instruction card as promptly as possible so that your Pebblebrook common shares and/or your LaSalle common shares will be represented and voted at the Pebblebrook special meeting or the LaSalle special meeting, as applicable.

Please refer to your proxy card or voting instruction card forwarded by your broker or other nominee to see which voting options are available to you.

The method by which you submit a proxy will in no way limit your right to vote at the Pebblebrook special meeting or the LaSalle special meeting, as applicable, if you later decide to attend the meeting in person. However, if your Pebblebrook common shares or your LaSalle common shares are held in the name of a broker or other nominee, you must obtain a legal proxy, executed in your favor, from your broker or other nominee, to be able to vote in person at the Pebblebrook special meeting or the LaSalle special meeting, as applicable.

2) Make your merger consideration election.

See the answer to the question above titled, "If I am a LaSalle shareholder, do I need to make an election in order to receive the cash consideration?".

Q: How will my proxy be voted?

A:

All Pebblebrook common shares entitled to vote and represented by properly completed proxies received prior to the Pebblebrook special meeting, and not revoked, will be voted at the Pebblebrook special meeting as instructed on the proxies. If you properly sign, date and return a proxy card, but do not indicate how your Pebblebrook common shares should be voted on a matter, the Pebblebrook common shares represented by your proxy will be voted as the Pebblebrook Board recommends and therefore "FOR" the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement, and "FOR" the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate in the view of the Pebblebrook Board, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement if there are not sufficient votes at the time of such adjournment to approve such proposal. If you hold your shares in street name and do not provide voting instructions to your broker or other nominee, your Pebblebrook common shares will NOT be voted at the Pebblebrook special meeting and will be considered broker non-votes.

All LaSalle common shares entitled to vote and represented by properly completed proxies received prior to the LaSalle special meeting, and not revoked, will be voted at the LaSalle special meeting as instructed on the proxies. If you properly sign, date and return a proxy card, but do not indicate how your LaSalle common shares should be voted on a matter, the LaSalle common shares represented by your proxy will be voted as the LaSalle Board recommends and therefore "FOR" the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by

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the merger agreement, "FOR" the non-binding advisory proposal to approve certain compensation that may be paid or become payable to certain executive officers of LaSalle in connection with the merger agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby and "FOR" the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the LaSalle special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement. If you hold your shares in street name and do not provide voting instructions to your broker or other nominee, your LaSalle common shares will NOT be voted at the LaSalle special meeting and will be considered broker non-votes. Abstentions and broker non-votes will have the same effect on the outcome of the merger proposal as votes AGAINST such proposal.

# Q: Can I revoke my proxy or change my vote after I have delivered my proxy?

Yes. You may revoke your proxy or change your vote at any time before your proxy is voted at the Pebblebrook special meeting or the LaSalle special meeting, as applicable. If you are a holder of record, you can do this in any of the following three ways:

by sending a written notice to the corporate secretary of Pebblebrook or the corporate secretary of LaSalle, as applicable, in time to be received before the Pebblebrook special meeting or the LaSalle special meeting, as applicable, stating that you would like to revoke your proxy;

by completing, signing and dating another proxy card and returning it by mail in time to be received before the Pebblebrook special meeting or the LaSalle special meeting, as applicable, or by submitting a later dated proxy by the Internet or telephone in which case your later-submitted proxy will be recorded and your earlier proxy revoked; or

by attending the Pebblebrook special meeting or the LaSalle special meeting, as applicable, and voting in person. Simply attending the Pebblebrook special meeting or the LaSalle special meeting, as applicable, without voting will not revoke your proxy or change your vote.

If your Pebblebrook common shares or your LaSalle common shares are held in an account at a broker or other nominee and you desire to change your vote or vote in person, you should contact your broker or other nominee for instructions on how to do so.

# Q: What does it mean if I receive more than one set of voting materials for the Pebblebrook special meeting or the LaSalle special meeting?

You may receive more than one set of voting materials for the Pebblebrook special meeting and/or the LaSalle special meeting, as applicable, including multiple copies of this joint proxy statement/prospectus and multiple proxy cards or voting instruction cards. For example, if you hold your Pebblebrook common shares or your LaSalle common shares in more than one brokerage account, you will receive a separate voting instruction card for each brokerage account in which you hold your Pebblebrook common shares or your LaSalle common shares. If you are a holder of record and your Pebblebrook common shares or your LaSalle common shares are registered in more than one name, you may receive more than one proxy card. Please complete, sign, date and return each proxy card and voting instruction card that you receive or, if available, please submit your proxy by telephone or over the Internet.

# Q: What happens if I am a shareholder of both Pebblebrook and LaSalle?

You will receive separate proxy cards for each entity. Please complete, sign, date and return each proxy card you receive in the appropriate preaddressed postage-paid envelope or, if available, by submitting a proxy by one of the other methods specified in your proxy card or voting instruction card for each entity.

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Q: If I choose to attend the Pebblebrook special meeting or the LaSalle special meeting in person, will I need to bring identification and other documentation?

A: Yes. Please bring proper identification, together with proof that you are a record owner of Pebblebrook common shares or LaSalle common shares, as the case may be. If your shares are held in street name, please bring acceptable proof of ownership, such as a letter from your broker or an account statement showing that you beneficially owned Pebblebrook common shares or LaSalle common shares, as applicable, on the record date.

However, if your Pebblebrook common shares or your LaSalle common shares are held in the name of a broker or other nominee, you must obtain a legal proxy, executed in your favor, from your broker or other nominee, to be able to vote in person at the Pebblebrook special meeting or the LaSalle special meeting, as applicable.

### Q: Will a proxy solicitor be used?

Yes. Pebblebrook has engaged Okapi Partners LLC, which we refer to as Okapi, to assist in the solicitation of proxies for the Pebblebrook special meeting, and Pebblebrook estimates it will pay Okapi a fee of approximately \$30,000, plus an additional \$100,000 upon the completion of the mergers. Pebblebrook has also agreed to reimburse Okapi for reasonable expenses incurred in connection with the proxy solicitation and to indemnify Okapi against certain losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses. In addition to mailing proxy solicitation material, Pebblebrook's trustees, officers and employees may also solicit proxies in person, by telephone or by any other electronic means of communication deemed appropriate. No additional compensation will be paid to Pebblebrook's trustees, officers or employees for such services.

LaSalle has engaged MacKenzie Partners, Inc., which we refer to as MacKenzie, to assist in the solicitation of proxies for the LaSalle special meeting and LaSalle estimates it will pay MacKenzie a fee of approximately \$75,000 (\$30,000 of which was previously paid in connection with the solicitation of proxies with respect to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of May 20, 2018, by and among BRE Landmark L.P., BRE Landmark L.P., BRE Landmark Acquisition L.P., LaSalle and LaSalle OP, which we refer to as the Blackstone merger agreement, which was terminated on September 6, 2018), plus an additional fee of \$100,000 upon the completion of the mergers, plus reimbursement of reasonable expenses. LaSalle has also agreed to indemnify MacKenzie against certain losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses. In addition to mailing proxy solicitation material, LaSalle's trustees, officers and employees may also solicit proxies in person, by telephone or by any other electronic means of communication deemed appropriate. No additional compensation will be paid to LaSalle's trustees, officers or employees for such services.

### Q: Who can answer my questions?

If you have any questions about the mergers or how to submit your proxy or need additional copies of this joint proxy statement/prospectus, the enclosed proxy card or voting instructions, you should contact:

If you are a Pebblebrook shareholder: Okapi Partners LLC 1212 Avenue of the Americas, 24th Floor New York, NY 10036 (212) 929-5500 Toll free: 855-305-0855

Email: info@okapipartners.com

If you are a LaSalle shareholder: MacKenzie Partners, Inc. 1407 Broadway, 27th Floor New York, New York 10018 Toll free: 800-322-2885 Call collect: 212-929-5500

Email: proxy@mackenziepartners.com

If your broker or other nominee holds your shares, you should also contact your broker or other nominee for additional information.

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#### SUMMARY

The following summary highlights some of the information contained in this joint proxy statement/prospectus. This summary may not contain all of the information that is important to you. For a more complete description of the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, Pebblebrook and LaSalle encourage you to read carefully this entire joint proxy statement/prospectus, including the attached Annexes and the other documents to which we have referred you because this section does not provide all the information that might be important to you with respect to the mergers at the applicable special meeting. See also the section entitled "Where You Can Find More Information and Incorporation by Reference" beginning on page 252. We have included page references to direct you to a more complete description of the topics presented in this summary.

### The Companies

### Pebblebrook Hotel Trust and Pebblebrook Hotel, L.P. (See page 63)

Pebblebrook Hotel Trust 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100 West Bethesda, Maryland 20814 (240) 507-1300 www.pebblebrookhotels.com

Pebblebrook Hotel Trust is an internally managed hotel investment company, organized as a Maryland real estate investment trust in October 2009 to opportunistically acquire and invest in hotel properties located primarily in major U.S. cities, with an emphasis on the major gateway coastal markets. As of June 30, 2018, the Company owned 28 hotels with a total of 6,972 guest rooms.

Pebblebrook common shares are listed on the NYSE, trading under the symbol "PEB".

Pebblebrook Hotel, L.P. 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100 West Bethesda, Maryland 20814 (240) 507-1300

Substantially all of Pebblebrook's assets are held by, and all of its operations are conducted through, Pebblebrook Hotel, L.P., which we refer to as Pebblebrook OP. Pebblebrook is the sole general partner of Pebblebrook OP. At June 30, 2018, Pebblebrook owned 99.7% of the Pebblebrook OP common units issued by Pebblebrook OP. The remaining 0.3% of Pebblebrook OP common units are owned by other limited partners of Pebblebrook OP.

### LaSalle Hotel Properties and LaSalle Hotel Operating Partnership, L.P. (See page 63)

LaSalle Hotel Properties 7550 Wisconsin Avenue, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Bethesda, Maryland 20814 (301) 941-1500 www.lasallehotels.com

LaSalle Hotel Properties was organized as a Maryland real estate investment trust on January 15, 1998, and primarily buys, owns, redevelops and leases upscale and luxury full-service hotels located in convention, resort and major urban business markets. LaSalle is a self-administered REIT.

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LaSalle common shares are listed on the NYSE, trading under the symbol "LHO".

LaSalle Hotel Operating Partnership, L.P. 7550 Wisconsin Avenue, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Bethesda, Maryland 20814 (301) 941-1500

LaSalle OP was formed as a Delaware limited partnership on January 13, 1998. LaSalle is the general partner of the LaSalle OP, and, as of June 30, 2018, owned through a combination of direct and indirect interests, approximately 99.9% of the common units of LaSalle OP. The remaining 0.1% is held by limited partners who owned 145,223 LaSalle OP common units as of June 30, 2018.

### The Combined Company (See page 64)

Following completion of the mergers, the business and assets of the combined company will be owned and operated by Pebblebrook and the surviving partnership. References to the combined company are to Pebblebrook after the effective time of the mergers. Pebblebrook is a Maryland real estate investment trust. The combined company after the completion of the mergers is expected to have a pro forma enterprise value of approximately \$7.6 billion and a total market capitalization of approximately \$4.3 billion (in each case based on the closing price of Pebblebrook common shares on October 25, 2018 of \$32.71, and assuming that all LaSalle shareholders elect to receive the maximum cash amount). The combined company's hotel portfolio after the completion of the mergers will consist of 66 properties (assuming that the sale of the three LaSalle hotels under contract for sale is completed as expected immediately prior to completion of the mergers), and the combined company will have a large presence in key urban markets in the United States, including significant exposure to major market West Coast cities with strong long-term growth and high barriers to entry.

The business of the combined company will be operated through Pebblebrook OP and its subsidiaries, including the surviving partnership. After giving effect to the mergers, Pebblebrook OP will hold a limited partnership interest in the surviving partnership, and a wholly owned subsidiary of Pebblebrook OP will be the general partner of the surviving partnership. The Pebblebrook parties will have the full, exclusive and complete responsibility for and discretion in the day-to-day management and control of Pebblebrook OP and the surviving partnership.

The common shares of the combined company will continue to be listed on the NYSE, trading under the symbol "PEB".

The combined company's principal executive offices will be located at Pebblebrook's current offices, 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100 West, Bethesda, Maryland 20814.

### The Mergers

### The Merger Agreement (See page 203)

The Pebblebrook parties and the LaSalle parties have entered into the merger agreement attached as Annex A to this joint proxy statement/prospectus, which is incorporated herein by reference. Pebblebrook and LaSalle encourage you to carefully read the merger agreement in its entirety because it is the principal document governing the mergers and related transactions.

The merger agreement provides that the completion of the mergers will take place at 12:00 p.m., Eastern Time, at the offices of Goodwin Procter LLP, 620 Eighth Avenue, New York, New York 10018 within three business days following the date on which the last of the conditions to completion of the mergers has been satisfied or waived.

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### The Mergers (See page 76)

Subject to the terms and conditions of the merger agreement, at the effective time of the company merger, LaSalle will merge with and into Merger Sub, with Merger Sub surviving the company merger as the surviving entity, which will be a wholly owned subsidiary of Pebblebrook.

The merger agreement also provides for the merger of Merger OP with and into LaSalle OP, with LaSalle OP surviving the merger as the surviving partnership. At the effective time of the partnership merger, Merger OP GP, a wholly owned subsidiary of Pebblebrook OP, will become the general partner of the surviving partnership, and Pebblebrook OP will be the limited partner of the surviving partnership.

### The Merger Consideration (See page 204)

At the effective time of the company merger, each issued and outstanding LaSalle common share will be converted into the right to receive, at the election of the holder: (i) 0.92 validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable Pebblebrook common share or (b) \$37.80 in cash subject to certain adjustments and to any applicable withholding tax. The maximum number of LaSalle common shares eligible to be converted into the right to receive the cash consideration will be equal to 30% of the aggregate number of LaSalle common shares issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger. LaSalle common shares held by Pebblebrook will be excluded from the cash election in the company merger, effectively increasing the maximum number of LaSalle common shares that could receive the cash election price to approximately 33% of the aggregate number of LaSalle common shares outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger.

At the effective time of the company merger, each LaSalle Series I preferred share will be converted into the right to receive one validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable Pebblebrook Series E preferred share and each LaSalle Series J preferred share will be converted into the right to receive one validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable Pebblebrook Series F preferred share.

Additionally, immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger, pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement, (i) each outstanding restricted LaSalle common share will vest and all restrictions thereon will lapse, and each such share will be cancelled in exchange for the right to submit an election and receive the merger consideration; (ii) each outstanding LaSalle performance award will automatically become earned and vested with respect to 180% of the target number of LaSalle common shares subject to such LaSalle performance share award agreement, and each such LaSalle common share will be cancelled and each holder thereof will have the right to submit an election and receive the merger consideration; and (iii) each outstanding award of deferred LaSalle common shares will be cancelled and each holder thereof will have the right to submit an election and receive the merger consideration for the number of LaSalle common shares subject to such award (prior to its cancellation).

At the effective time of the partnership merger, pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement, (i) each unit of general partner interest in LaSalle OP shall be cancelled and no payment shall be made thereon; (ii) all of the LaSalle Series I preferred units shall be converted into the right to receive an equal number of Pebblebrook Series E preferred units; (iii) all of the LaSalle Series J preferred units shall be converted into the right to receive an equal number of Pebblebrook Series F preferred units; and (iv) each LaSalle OP common unit held by limited partners in LaSalle OP (other than LaSalle or its affiliates) shall be cancelled and converted into the right to receive, at the holder's election, either Pebblebrook OP common units in an amount equal to the exchange ratio, without interest, or LaSalle common shares in an amount equal to the exchange ratio, without interest, which shares would then be cancelled in exchange for the right to receive the share consideration.

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LaSalle shareholders and LaSalle OP unitholders that receive Pebblebrook common shares will not receive any fractional Pebblebrook common shares or fractional Pebblebrook OP common units in the mergers and instead will be paid cash (without interest) in lieu of any fractional share or unit to which they would otherwise be entitled.

Upon completion of the mergers, we estimate that ownership of the issued and outstanding common shares of the combined company will be as follows (in each case assuming that all of the limited partners (excluding LaSalle and its affiliates) of LaSalle OP elect to receive Pebblebrook common shares instead of Pebblebrook OP common units):

If all LaSalle shareholders elect to receive the maximum cash amount, then Pebblebrook shareholders will own approximately 52.8% and former LaSalle security holders will own approximately 47.2%; and

If all LaSalle shareholders elect to receive Pebblebrook common shares, then Pebblebrook shareholders will own approximately 42.7% and former LaSalle security holders will own approximately 57.3%.

You are urged to obtain current market prices of Pebblebrook common shares and LaSalle common shares. You are cautioned that the trading price of the common shares of the combined company after the mergers may be affected by factors different from those currently affecting the trading prices of Pebblebrook common shares and LaSalle common shares, and therefore, the historical trading prices of Pebblebrook common shares may not be indicative of the trading price of the common shares of the combined company. See "Risk Factors" Risks Related to the Mergers" beginning on page 50.

#### Election Procedures (See page 205)

Each holder of record of LaSalle common shares (holding directly through LaSalle's transfer agent) (other than excluded shares) or of a LaSalle compensatory award issued and outstanding at the close of business on the record date will have the right to submit an election to receive the cash consideration or the common share consideration by delivering an election form to the exchange agent prior to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on November 26, 2018, which is the business day immediately prior to the LaSalle special meeting, which we refer to as the election deadline. Concurrently with the mailing of this joint proxy statement/prospectus, LaSalle will mail the election form to the record holders of LaSalle common shares and LaSalle compensatory awards as of the record date.

An election may be revoked by a record holder of LaSalle common shares by delivering written notice to the exchange agent prior to the election deadline. If an election is revoked by a record holder, the LaSalle common shares subject to the revoked election will be deemed to have elected to receive the share consideration unless a new election is made prior to the election deadline. After an election is made, any subsequent transfer of the LaSalle common shares subject to such election shall automatically revoke the election.

Each LaSalle common share eligible to receive the merger consideration for which an election is not properly made by the election deadline will be deemed to have elected to receive the share consideration and will only be entitled to receive the share consideration.

LaSalle common shareholders who hold their LaSalle common shares in "street name" (prior to the election deadline) through a bank, brokerage firm or other nominee will receive instructions from their bank, brokerage firm or other nominee as to how to submit a form of election. Therefore, LaSalle common shareholders should carefully read any materials received from their bank, brokerage firm or other nominee, and should follow the procedures established by their bank, brokerage firm or other nominee in order to make an election.

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### Proration (See page 206)

Under the terms of the merger agreement, the number of LaSalle common shares that is eligible to receive the cash consideration is subject to proration. The maximum number of LaSalle common shares eligible to be converted into the right to receive the cash consideration, which we refer to as the maximum cash shares, is equal to 30% of the aggregate number of LaSalle common shares issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger (including LaSalle common shares relating to the LaSalle compensatory awards that become or are deemed to be issued or outstanding). LaSalle common shares held by Pebblebrook will be excluded from the cash election in the company merger, effectively increasing the maximum cash shares to approximately 33% of the aggregate number of LaSalle common shares outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger and will not be eligible to be converted into the right to receive the cash consideration.

Within three business days after the effective time of the company merger, the exchange agent will effect the allocation among the holders of LaSalle common shares of the rights to receive the cash consideration and the share consideration.

In effecting this allocation, if the aggregate number of cash election shares exceeds the number of maximum cash shares, the number of cash election shares designated by any holder of LaSalle common shares as a cash election will be subject to pro rata reduction as follows: For each such cash election, the number of such holder's LaSalle common shares that will be converted into the right to receive the cash consideration will be equal to (1) the number of such holder's cash election shares multiplied by (2) the merger cash proration factor, rounded down to the nearest whole LaSalle common share. The merger cash proration factor means a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of maximum cash shares and the denominator of which is the aggregate number of all cash election shares. Any cash election shares that were not converted into the right to receive cash consideration in accordance with such calculation will be converted into the right to receive the share consideration.

If the aggregate number of cash election shares is less than or equal to the number of maximum cash shares, then all cash election shares will be converted into the right to receive the cash consideration and each other LaSalle common share eligible to receive the merger consideration will be converted into the right to receive the share consideration.

### Financing Related to the Mergers (See page 233)

The mergers are not conditioned upon Pebblebrook or Pebblebrook OP having received any financing at or prior to the effective time of the mergers. However, in connection with the mergers and the transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, Pebblebrook and Pebblebrook OP have entered into a bridge loan commitment letter with Bank of America, N.A., which we refer to as Bank of America, and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, which we refer to as BAML, pursuant to which Bank of America agreed to be the sole administrative agent for a \$2.4 billion senior unsecured bridge loan facility to Pebblebrook OP for up to \$2.4 billion, which we refer to as the bridge loan facility, subject to the conditions set forth in the bridge loan commitment letter. MLPFS agreed to act as sole lead arranger and sole bookrunner for the bridge loan facility, and to form a syndicate of financial institutions, including Bank of America, to fund the bridge loan facility, which we refer to collectively as the lenders.

If drawn upon, the proceeds from the bridge loan facility may be used to (i) pay a portion of the aggregate cash consideration, (ii) fund the refinancing of certain of the existing third-party indebtedness for borrowed money of Pebblebrook OP, the LaSalle parties and their respective subsidiaries, which we refer to as the refinancing, and (iii) pay fees and expenses incurred in connection with the foregoing, the bridge loan facility or related financings and the mergers. The bridge loan facility will be structured as a syndicated 364-day unsecured term loan facility available in a single draw on the completion date

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of the mergers. Pebblebrook and Pebblebrook OP have the right to use alternative financing in connection with the consummation of the mergers and are under no obligation to draw upon the bridge loan facility from the lenders. Pebblebrook and Pebblebrook OP currently are exploring the availability of alternative financing, including through existing unsecured credit facilities or other financing arrangements.

The bridge loan commitment letter expires on the earliest of (i) March 6, 2019, (ii) the completion date of the merger without the use of the bridge loan facility and (iii) the date that the merger agreement is terminated by Pebblebrook or its affiliates or expires in accordance with its terms.

See "Financing Related to the Mergers Debt Financing Bridge Loan Commitment Letter" beginning on page 233.

### Recommendation of the Pebblebrook Board of Trustees (See page 122)

The Pebblebrook Board has unanimously (i) determined and declared that the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement are advisable and in the best interests of Pebblebrook and its shareholders, (ii) approved the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement and (iii) authorized and approved the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement. Certain factors considered by the Pebblebrook Board in reaching its decision to approve the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement can be found in the section entitled "The Mergers Recommendation of the Pebblebrook Board and Its Reasons for the Mergers" beginning on page 122.

The Pebblebrook Board unanimously recommends that Pebblebrook shareholders vote "FOR" the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement and "FOR" the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

### Recommendation of the LaSalle Board of Trustees (See page 118)

The LaSalle Board, by a unanimous vote of all trustees present (with only Mr. Scott not present due to his hospitalization), (i) determined that the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement are advisable and in the best interests of LaSalle and LaSalle shareholders, (ii) authorized and approved each of the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement and (iii) approved and adopted the merger agreement.

The LaSalle Board, by a unanimous vote of all trustees present (with only Mr. Scott not present due to his hospitalization) recommends that the LaSalle shareholders vote "FOR" the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, "FOR" the non-binding advisory proposal to approve certain compensation that may be paid or become payable to certain executive officers of LaSalle in connection with the merger agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby, and "FOR" the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the LaSalle special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement.

### Summary of Risks Related to the Mergers (See page 50)

You should consider carefully the risk factors described below together with all of the other information included in this joint proxy statement/prospectus before deciding how to vote. The risks

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related to the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement are described under the section "Risk Factors" Risks Related to the Mergers," beginning on page 50.

Neither the exchange ratio nor the cash consideration will be adjusted in the event of any change in the prices of either Pebblebrook common shares or LaSalle common shares.

Pebblebrook shareholders will be diluted by the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

Completion of the mergers is subject to many conditions and if these conditions are not satisfied or waived, the mergers will not be completed, which could result in the requirement that Pebblebrook pay to LaSalle a termination fee of \$81 million or LaSalle pay to Pebblebrook a termination fee of \$112 million.

Failure to complete the mergers could adversely affect the common share prices and future business and financial results of Pebblebrook and LaSalle.

The pendency of the mergers could adversely affect the business and operations of Pebblebrook and LaSalle.

The merger agreement contains provisions that could discourage a potential competing acquirer of LaSalle or Pebblebrook or could result in a competing acquisition proposal being at a lower price than it might otherwise be.

If the mergers are not consummated on or before March 6, 2019, which we refer to as the end date, either Pebblebrook or LaSalle may terminate the merger agreement.

Some of the trustees and executive officers of LaSalle have interests in the mergers that are different from, or in addition to, those of other LaSalle shareholders.

# The Pebblebrook Special Meeting (See page 65)

The Pebblebrook special meeting will be held on November 27, 2018, beginning at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the offices of Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP, 2200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20037.

At the Pebblebrook special meeting, Pebblebrook shareholders will be asked to consider and vote upon the following matters:

- 1. a proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement; and
- a proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if
  necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook
  common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

Approval of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on such proposal.

Approval of the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement requires the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes cast on such proposal.

At the close of business on the record date, trustees and executive officers of Pebblebrook and their affiliates were entitled to vote 1,350,042 Pebblebrook common shares, or approximately 1.96% of the Pebblebrook common shares issued and outstanding on that date. Pebblebrook currently expects

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that all Pebblebrook trustees and executive officers will vote their Pebblebrook common shares in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement as well as the other proposal to be considered at the Pebblebrook special meeting, although none of them is contractually obligated to do so.

Your vote as a Pebblebrook shareholder is very important. Accordingly, please sign and return the enclosed proxy card whether or not you plan to attend the Pebblebrook special meeting in person.

# The LaSalle Special Meeting (See page 70)

The LaSalle special meeting will be held on November 27, 2018, beginning at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the Sofitel Washington DC Lafayette Square, 806 15th Street NW, Washington, DC 20005.

At the LaSalle special meeting, LaSalle shareholders will be asked to consider and vote upon the following matters:

- 1. a proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement;
- a non-binding advisory proposal to approve certain compensation that may be paid or become payable to certain executive
  officers of LaSalle in connection with the merger agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby; and
- 3.
  a proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the LaSalle special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement.

Approval of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement requires the affirmative vote of at least 66<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>% of all the votes entitled to be cast on such proposal.

Approval of the non-binding advisory proposal to approve certain compensation that may be paid or become payable to certain executive officers of LaSalle in connection with the merger agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby requires the affirmative vote of at least a majority of all votes cast on such proposal.

Approval of the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the LaSalle special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement requires, whether or not a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of at least a majority of all votes cast on such proposal.

At the close of business on the record date, trustees and executive officers of LaSalle and their affiliates were entitled to vote 595,590 LaSalle common shares, or approximately 0.5% of LaSalle common shares issued and outstanding on that date. LaSalle currently expects that all LaSalle trustees and executive officers will vote their LaSalle common shares in favor of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement as well as the other proposal to be considered at the LaSalle special meeting, although none of them is contractually obligated to do so.

In addition, at the close of business on the record date, Pebblebrook OP owned and was entitled to vote 10,809,215 LaSalle common shares, or approximately 9.8% of the LaSalle common shares issued and outstanding on that date. In the merger agreement, Pebblebrook OP agreed to vote all of its LaSalle common shares in favor of the company merger.

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Your vote as a LaSalle shareholder is very important. Accordingly, please sign and return the enclosed proxy card whether or not you plan to attend the LaSalle special meeting in person.

## **Opinions of Financial Advisors**

#### Opinion of Pebblebrook's Financial Advisor (See page 124)

On September 6, 2018, in connection with the company merger, Raymond James & Associates, Inc., or Raymond James, rendered its written opinion to the Pebblebrook Board, as to the fairness, from a financial point of view, of the merger consideration to be paid by Pebblebrook in the company merger pursuant to the merger agreement, as of September 6, 2018, based upon and subject to the procedures followed, assumptions made, matters considered, qualifications and limitations on the review undertaken and other matters considered by Raymond James in preparing its opinion.

Raymond James' opinion was directed to the Pebblebrook Board and only addressed the fairness from a financial point of view of the merger consideration to be paid by Pebblebrook in the company merger pursuant to the merger agreement and does not address any other aspect or implication of the mergers. The summary of Raymond James' opinion in this joint proxy statement/prospectus is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of its written opinion, which is included as *Annex D* to this joint proxy statement/prospectus and sets forth the procedures followed, assumptions made, matters considered, qualifications and limitations on the review undertaken and other matters considered by Raymond James in preparing its opinion. **However, neither Raymond James' opinion nor the summary of its opinion and the related analyses set forth in this joint proxy statement/prospectus are intended to be, and do not constitute, advice or a recommendation to the Pebblebrook Board or any shareholder as to how to act or vote with respect to the mergers or related matters. For the opinion of Raymond James, see "The Mergers Opinion of Pebblebrook's Financial Advisor" beginning on page 124 and** *Annex B***.** 

#### Opinions of LaSalle's Financial Advisors (See page 131)

Opinion of Citigroup Global Markets Inc.

In connection with the transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, on September 6, 2018, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., which we refer to as Citi, delivered an oral opinion, subsequently confirmed by the delivery of a written opinion dated September 6, 2018, to the LaSalle Board as to the fairness, from a financial point of view and as of the date of the opinion, to the holders (other than Pebblebrook and its affiliates) of the outstanding LaSalle common shares of the aggregate consideration (as defined below) to be paid to such holders pursuant to the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the merger agreement. As more fully described in the merger agreement, each outstanding LaSalle common share (other than any LaSalle common shares to be cancelled and retired or converted in accordance with Section 2.5(d) or Section 2.5(e) of the merger agreement) will be converted into the right to receive, at the election of the holder thereof, either 0.92 Pebblebrook common shares or \$37.80 in cash, subject to proration and certain other procedures and limitations contained in the merger agreement, as to which procedures and limitations Citi expressed no opinion, and taken in the aggregate, subject to adjustment pursuant to Section 5.16(a) of the merger agreement, which we refer to as the aggregate consideration. The full text of Citi's written opinion dated September 6, 2018, which describes the assumptions made, procedures followed, matters considered and limitations and qualifications on the review undertaken, is attached as *Annex C* to this joint proxy statement/prospectus and is incorporated by reference. The description of Citi's opinion set forth in the section entitled "The Mergers Opinions of LaSalle's Financial Advisors Opinion of Citi" is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of Citi's opiniofitit's opinion was provided for the information of the LaSalle Board (in its capacity as such) in connection with its evaluation of the aggregate consideration from a financial point of

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implications of the transactions contemplated by the merger agreement. Citi was not requested to consider, and its opinion did not address, LaSalle's underlying business decision to effect the mergers, the relative merits of the mergers as compared to any alternative business strategies that might exist for LaSalle or the effect of any other transaction in which LaSalle might engage. Citi's opinion is not intended to be and does not constitute a recommendation to any LaSalle shareholder as to how such LaSalle shareholder should vote or act on any matters relating to the proposed mergers or otherwise. Pursuant to an engagement letter between LaSalle and Citi, LaSalle has agreed to pay Citi an aggregate fee of approximately \$22 million to \$23 million, based on the information available as of the delivery of its opinion described in the section entitled "The Mergers Opinions of LaSalle's Financial Advisors Opinion of Citi," \$6.5 million of which became payable at or prior to the announcement of the mergers (including \$1.5 million of which that became payable upon Citi's delivery of the opinion described in the section entitled "The Mergers Opinions of LaSalle's Financial Advisors Opinion of Citi") and the remainder of which is contingent upon completion of the company merger.

# Opinion of Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC

At a meeting of the LaSalle Board held on September 6, 2018, Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC, which we refer to as Goldman Sachs, delivered to the LaSalle Board its opinion, subsequently confirmed in writing, as of September 6, 2018 and based upon and subject to the factors and assumptions set forth therein, as to the fairness, from a financial point of view and as of the date of the opinion, to the holders (other than Pebblebrook and its affiliates) of the outstanding LaSalle common shares of the aggregate consideration to be paid to such holders pursuant to the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the merger agreement. As more fully described in the merger agreement, each outstanding LaSalle common share (other than any LaSalle common shares to be cancelled and retired or converted in accordance with Section 2.5(d) or Section 2.5(e) of the merger agreement) will be converted into the right to receive, at the election of the holder thereof, either 0.92 Pebblebrook common shares or \$37.80 in cash, subject to proration and certain other procedures and limitations contained in the merger agreement, as to which procedures and limitations Goldman Sachs expressed no opinion, and taken in the aggregate, subject to adjustment pursuant to Section 5.16(a) of the merger agreement, which, as noted above, we refer to as the aggregate consideration.

The full text of the written opinion of Goldman Sachs, dated September 6, 2018, which sets forth assumptions made, procedures followed, matters considered and limitations on the review undertaken in connection with the opinion, is attached as *Annex D* to this joint proxy statement/prospectus and is incorporated by reference. Goldman Sachs provided advisory services and its opinion for the information and assistance of the LaSalle Board in connection with its consideration of the transactions contemplated by the merger agreement. The Goldman Sachs opinion is not a recommendation as to how any holder of LaSalle common shares should vote or make any election with respect to the transactions contemplated by the merger agreement or any other matter. Pursuant to an engagement letter between LaSalle and Goldman Sachs, LaSalle has agreed to pay Goldman Sachs an aggregate fee of approximately \$22 million to \$23 million, based on the information available as of the delivery of its opinion described in the section entitled "The Mergers Opinions of LaSalle's Financial Advisors Opinion of Goldman Sachs," \$3.5 million of which became payable at or prior to the announcement of the mergers and the remainder of which is contingent upon completion of the company merger.

For further information, see the section entitled "The Mergers Opinions of LaSalle's Financial Advisors" and Annex C and Annex D.

# Treatment of LaSalle's Equity Awards (See page 204)

At the effective time of the company merger, (i) each outstanding LaSalle restricted share will vest and all restrictions thereon will lapse, and each such share will be cancelled in exchange for the right to submit an election and receive the merger consideration; (ii) each outstanding LaSalle performance

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award will automatically become earned and vested with respect to 180% of the target number of LaSalle common shares subject to such LaSalle performance share award agreement, and each such LaSalle common share will be cancelled and each holder thereof will have the right to submit an election and receive the merger consideration; and (iii) each outstanding award of LaSalle deferred shares will be cancelled and each such share will be converted into the right to submit an election and receive the merger consideration. For more information regarding the treatment and valuation of LaSalle equity awards, see "The Mergers Interests of LaSalle's Trustees, Executive Officers and Employees in the Mergers" beginning on page 155 and "The Merger Agreement Treatment of LaSalle Common Shares, LaSalle Preferred Shares, LaSalle Restricted Shares, LaSalle Performance Shares and LaSalle Deferred Shares" beginning on page 204.

#### Trustees and Management of the Combined Company After the Mergers (See page 235)

All seven members of the Pebblebrook Board will continue to serve as trustees of the combined company. No members of the LaSalle Board will serve as trustees of the combined company.

The executive officers of Pebblebrook will continue to serve as the executive officers of the combined company, with Mr. Bortz continuing to serve as President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of the combined company. See "Trustees and Management of the Combined Company After the Mergers" beginning on page 235.

# Interests of Pebblebrook's Trustees and Executive Officers in the Mergers (See page 154)

None of Pebblebrook's executive officers or members of the Pebblebrook Board is party to an arrangement with Pebblebrook, or participates in any Pebblebrook plan, program or arrangement, that provides such executive officer or board member with financial incentives that are contingent upon the consummation of the mergers.

In anticipation of Pebblebrook entering into the merger agreement, Pebblebrook and each of its three executive officers entered into waiver agreements pursuant to which the executive officers agreed that the mergers shall not be deemed to be a "Change in Control" as defined in the executives' change in control severance agreements and all of the executives' outstanding compensatory equity award agreements. As a result of entering into these waiver agreements, each executive officer has waived (i) the payment of any amounts of cash due to the executive and (ii) accelerated vesting of any unvested performance units, common shares or LTIP Class B Units, in each case that may otherwise have been due as a result of the mergers occurring.

# Interests of LaSalle's Trustees, Executive Officers and Employees in the Mergers (See page 155)

LaSalle trustees, executive officers and employees have certain interests in the mergers that are different from, or in addition to, the interests of LaSalle shareholders generally. These interests may create potential conflicts of interest. The LaSalle Board was aware of these interests and considered them, among other matters, in reaching its decision to approve the mergers and the merger agreement. These interests include the following:

In accordance with the terms of the trustee fee deferral program, the merger agreement provides that each award of LaSalle deferred shares outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the merger will automatically be cancelled in exchange for the right to submit an election and receive the merger consideration, without interest and less any required tax withholdings. LaSalle deferred shares issued under the trustee fee deferral program represent amounts previously earned and voluntarily deferred by LaSalle non-management trustees.

In accordance with the LaSalle 2014 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, and the terms of the LaSalle restricted common share agreements, the merger agreement provides that, effective

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immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger, each LaSalle restricted common share that is outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger, including those held by LaSalle executive officers, will automatically become fully vested and non forfeitable, and all restrictions and repurchase rights will lapse, and LaSalle common shares represented thereby will be considered outstanding for all purposes under the merger agreement. Each holder of LaSalle restricted common shares will have the right to submit an election and receive the merger consideration, less any required tax withholdings.

The LaSalle performance share award agreements provide that the number of LaSalle common shares subject to each award that would become vested upon a change in control is based on the measurement of certain performance criteria as of the closing date of a change in control. Accordingly, the number of earned LaSalle performance shares under each such LaSalle performance share award could range between zero to 200% of the target number of LaSalle common shares subject to such LaSalle performance share award. As of the time the merger agreement was executed, LaSalle calculated that each of Messrs. Barnello, Fuller, Young and Gaum, whom we refer to as the LaSalle senior officers, would be entitled to receive 179%, 174%, 180% and 172%, respectively, of the target number of LaSalle common shares under the pre-existing terms of their LaSalle performance share award agreements had the determination been made at the time the merger agreement was executed. Following the execution of the merger agreement, LaSalle and Pebblebrook evaluated the number of LaSalle common shares that could be earned and vested upon the effective time of the company merger and, in order to avoid uncertainty, LaSalle and Pebblebrook amended the merger agreement on September 18, 2018 to provide that, immediately prior to the merger effective time, each outstanding LaSalle performance share award, including those held by LaSalle's senior officers, will automatically become earned and vested with respect to 180% of the target number of LaSalle common shares subject to such LaSalle performance share award agreement. Immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger, each earned LaSalle performance share will be cancelled and each holder thereof will have the right to submit an election and receive the merger consideration, without interest and less any required tax withholdings. Additionally, in accordance with the terms of the LaSalle performance share award agreements, in connection with the mergers, each holder of LaSalle performance share awards will receive a cash amount equal to all accrued and unpaid cash dividends that would have been paid on the earned LaSalle performance shares as if such earned LaSalle performance shares had been issued and outstanding from the grant date through the effective time of the company merger, without interest and less any required tax withholdings.

As previously disclosed, LaSalle entered into an amended and restated change in control severance agreement with Mr. Barnello, effective October 19, 2009, and change in control severance agreements with Mr. Fuller, effective April 25, 2016, Mr. Young, effective November 3, 2009 and Mr. Gaum, effective December 17, 2013. Each severance agreement provides for certain severance payments and benefits upon termination by LaSalle without "cause" (as defined in the applicable severance agreement) or by the officer for "good reason" (as defined in the applicable severance agreement) in connection with, or within one year following, a change in control. The merger agreement provides that the occurrence of the effective time of the company merger will be deemed to constitute a change in control under each severance agreement. Immediately after the effective time of the company merger, the employment of each of the LaSalle senior officers will be deemed to have been terminated by LaSalle without "cause" as of the completion of the merger and each LaSalle senior officer will be entitled to certain severance payments and benefits as provided under the terms of the applicable severance agreements. Following completion of the mergers, Pebblebrook will cause the surviving entity to pay all severance payments and benefits that each LaSalle senior officer would be entitled to receive under the applicable severance agreement upon expiration of the

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seven-day revocation period following the execution and delivery by the applicable LaSalle senior officer of a release agreement. None of the LaSalle senior officers have any employment arrangements or agreements with Pebblebrook, the surviving entity or any of their affiliates and Pebblebrook has publicly stated that its existing executive team will continue to manage the combined company following completion of the mergers.

In order to reduce uncertainty in connection with the proposed mergers, the merger agreement provides that Pebblebrook will cause the surviving entity to pay pro-rated annual bonuses for the 2018 performance year for certain LaSalle employees (other than the LaSalle senior officers) no later than January 15, 2019 at 125% of the applicable employee's target bonus amount. The amount due to any former LaSalle employee who is terminated by Pebblebrook or the surviving entity without "cause" prior to January 15, 2019 will be pro-rated through the termination date and paid upon expiration of the seven-day revocation period following the execution and delivery by the applicable employee of a release agreement.

Following LaSalle's receipt of an unsolicited proposal for the acquisition of LaSalle in March 2018, the LaSalle Board adopted an employee retention bonus plan to assure that LaSalle will retain and have the continued dedication of employees during a period of uncertainty at LaSalle. The aggregate value of the awards payable to certain LaSalle employees (other than the LaSalle senior officers) under the employee retention bonus plan is approximately \$7,500,000. Pebblebrook will cause the surviving entity to pay, following the completion of the mergers, the amounts and benefits due to certain employees (other than the LaSalle senior officers) under LaSalle's employee retention bonus plan upon expiration of the seven-day revocation period following the execution and delivery by the applicable participant of a release agreement.

In exchange for their services to LaSalle in connection with the mergers and the terminated Blackstone transaction, each member of the transaction committee of the LaSalle Board received compensation of \$20,000 per month, subject to an overall limit of \$100,000 per member. The members of the transaction committee of the LaSalle Board are Jeffrey T. Foland, Darryl Hartley-Leonard and Stuart L. Scott.

Upon completion of the mergers, the LaSalle non-management trustees will be paid by LaSalle in cash in respect of their earned and unpaid 2018 LaSalle Board compensation.

For more information regarding these interests, see "The Mergers Interests of LaSalle's Trustees, Executive Officers and Employees in the Mergers" beginning on page 155.

# Listing of Pebblebrook Common Shares, Pebblebrook Series E Preferred Shares and Pebblebrook Series F Preferred Shares (See page 202)

It is a condition to each party's obligation to complete the mergers that the Pebblebrook common shares, the Pebblebrook Series E preferred shares and the Pebblebrook Series F preferred shares to be issued pursuant to the merger agreement be approved for listing on the NYSE, subject to official notice of issuance. Pebblebrook has agreed to use its reasonable best efforts to have the application for the listing of such Pebblebrook common shares, the Pebblebrook Series E preferred shares and the Pebblebrook Series F preferred shares accepted by the NYSE as promptly as is practicable. After the company merger is completed, LaSalle common shares, LaSalle Series I preferred shares and LaSalle Series J preferred shares will cease to be listed on the NYSE and will be deregistered under the Exchange Act.

## No Shareholder Appraisal Rights in the Mergers (See page 210)

No dissenters' or appraisal rights or rights of objecting shareholders will be available with respect to the mergers or the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement.

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# Conditions to Completion of the Mergers (See page 228)

A number of customary conditions must be satisfied or waived, where legally permissible, before the mergers can be consummated. These include, among others:

approval by LaSalle shareholders of the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement;

approval by Pebblebrook shareholders of the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement;

absence of any law or order of a governmental authority preventing or prohibiting the mergers;

declaration of effectiveness of the Form S-4 registration statement, of which this joint proxy statement/prospectus is a part, and the absence of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of such Form S-4 or any commencement or threat of any proceeding by the SEC to that effect that has not been withdrawn;

approval of listing on the NYSE, subject to official notice of issuance, of the Pebblebrook common shares, the Pebblebrook Series E preferred shares and the Pebblebrook Series F preferred shares to be issued pursuant to the merger agreement;

truth and accuracy of the representations and warranties of each party made in the merger agreement as of the completion of the mergers, subject to materiality standards and qualifiers set forth in the merger agreement;

performance of or compliance in material respects with obligations under the merger agreement;

receipt of closing certificates signed on behalf of each party's chief executive officer or chief financial officer that certain conditions to closing have been satisfied;

receipt of an opinion of counsel by each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle from counsel for the other party to the effect that such party has been organized and has operated in conformity with the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT;

receipt of an opinion of counsel of each party to the effect that the company merger will qualify as a reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Code; and

absence of any material adverse effect with regard to Pebblebrook or LaSalle.

Neither Pebblebrook nor LaSalle can give any assurance as to when or if all of the conditions to completion of the mergers will be satisfied or waived or that the mergers will occur.

See "The Merger Agreement Conditions to the Mergers" beginning on page 228.

# Regulatory Approvals Required for the Mergers (See page 164)

Pebblebrook and LaSalle are not aware of any material federal or state regulatory requirements that must be complied with, or regulatory approvals that must be obtained, pursuant to the merger agreement or the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement.

# No Solicitation and Change in Recommendation (See page 217)

Under the merger agreement, each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle has agreed not to, and to cause its subsidiaries not to, directly or indirectly: (i) solicit, initiate or knowingly encourage or knowingly facilitate the submission or announcement of any acquisition proposal or acquisition inquiry (as those terms are defined below), (ii) furnish any non-public information regarding such party or its subsidiaries to any third party with respect to an acquisition proposal or acquisition inquiry, (iii) engage in or otherwise participate in any discussions or negotiations with any third party with respect to any

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acquisition proposal or acquisition inquiry, (iv) otherwise knowingly facilitate any effort or attempt to make an acquisition proposal or acquisition inquiry, (v) terminate, waive, amend, release or modify any provision of any standstill, confidentiality or similar agreement to which any of the LaSalle parties or Pebblebrook parties, as applicable, is a party, except to the extent necessary to allow the counterparty thereof to make a private acquisition proposal to the LaSalle Board or the Pebblebrook Board, as applicable, (vi) provide any further information with respect to itself, its subsidiaries or any acquisition proposal to any third party or its representatives, (vii) approve or recommend an acquisition proposal or enter into any alternative acquisition agreement or (viii) resolve, propose or agree to do any of the foregoing.

However, prior to the approval of the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement by LaSalle shareholders, and, prior to the approval of the issuance of the Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement by Pebblebrook shareholders, as applicable, LaSalle and its representative may, and Pebblebrook and its representatives may, as applicable, under certain specified circumstances, engage in discussions or negotiations with and provide any such information in response to an unsolicited bona fide written acquisition proposal. Under the merger agreement, each party is required to notify the other party promptly if it receives any acquisition proposal or acquisition inquiry or any request for non-public information in connection with an acquisition proposal and, among other things, keep the other party reasonably informed of the status of any discussions or negotiations with respect thereto.

Before the approval of the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement by LaSalle common shareholders, the LaSalle Board may, and before the approval of the issuance of the Pebblebrook common shares in connection with the company merger by Pebblebrook shareholders, the Pebblebrook Board may, under certain specified circumstances, withdraw its recommendation to its shareholders and/or, in the case of LaSalle, terminate the merger agreement to enter into an alternative acquisition agreement with respect to a superior proposal (as defined below) if the LaSalle Board or the Pebblebrook Board, as applicable, determines in good faith, after consultation with outside legal counsel, that failure to take such action would be inconsistent with its trustees' duties under applicable law.

For more information regarding the limitations on LaSalle and the LaSalle Board and Pebblebrook and the Pebblebrook Board to consider other proposals, see "The Merger Agreement Restriction on Solicitation of Acquisition Proposals" beginning on page 217.

#### Termination of the Merger Agreement (See page 230)

The merger agreement may be terminated at any time by the mutual consent of Pebblebrook and LaSalle in a written instrument.

In addition, the merger agreement may be terminated prior to the effective time of the company merger by either Pebblebrook or LaSalle under the following conditions, each subject to certain exceptions:

the mergers are not consummated by the end date;

a governmental entity has issued a final, non-appealable order permanently restraining, enjoining or otherwise prohibiting the consummation of the mergers or the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement;

there has been a breach by the other party of any representation, warranty or covenant set forth in the merger agreement, which causes a condition of the merger agreement not to be satisfied (and such breach is not curable prior to the end date);

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the holders of LaSalle common shares do not approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement; or

the holders of Pebblebrook common shares do not approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

The merger agreement may also be terminated by Pebblebrook if, prior to the approval of the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement by LaSalle shareholders, the LaSalle Board effects a change in recommendation (as defined below) or enters into an alternative acquisition agreement (as defined below).

The merger agreement may also be terminated by LaSalle if:

prior to the approval of the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement by LaSalle shareholders, the LaSalle Board effects a change in recommendation and LaSalle enters into a definitive agreement with respect to a superior proposal and pays a termination payment to Pebblebrook as described below; or

prior to the approval of the issuance of the Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement by Pebblebrook shareholders, the Pebblebrook Board effects a change in recommendation or any Pebblebrook party enters into an alternative acquisition agreement.

For more information regarding the rights of Pebblebrook and LaSalle to terminate the merger agreement, see "The Merger Agreement Termination of the Merger Agreement" beginning on page 230.

## Termination Fee and Expenses (See page 231)

Generally, all fees and expenses incurred in connection with the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement will be paid by the party incurring those fees and expenses. Additionally, upon termination of the merger agreement in certain circumstances, the merger agreement provides for the payment of a termination fee to Pebblebrook by LaSalle of \$112 million. The merger agreement also provides for the payment of a termination fee to LaSalle by Pebblebrook of \$81 million upon termination of the merger agreement in certain circumstances.

See "The Merger Agreement Termination Fees" beginning on page 231.

## Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Company Merger (See page 166)

Pebblebrook and LaSalle intend that the company merger will qualify as a reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Code. The completion of the mergers is conditioned on the receipt by each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle of an opinion from its counsel to the effect that the company merger will qualify as a reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Code. Assuming that the company merger qualifies as a reorganization, the U.S. federal income tax consequences for U.S. holders (as defined herein) of LaSalle common shares who receive Pebblebrook common shares and/or cash in exchange for their shares in connection with the company merger generally will be as follows:

if a LaSalle shareholder receives solely Pebblebrook common shares, such shareholder generally will not recognize any gain or loss, except with respect to cash received in lieu of fractional Pebblebrook common shares;

if a LaSalle shareholder receives solely cash, such shareholder generally will recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount of cash received and the shareholder's tax basis in its LaSalle shares; and

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if a LaSalle shareholder receives a combination of Pebblebrook common shares and cash, such shareholder generally will recognize gain (but not loss) in an amount equal to the lesser of (1) the sum of the cash and the fair market value of the Pebblebrook common shares received, minus the shareholder's tax basis in its LaSalle shares, and (2) the amount of cash received.

Non-U.S. holders (as defined elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/prospectus) who receive some or all of the merger consideration in cash may be subject to U.S. withholding tax with respect to the cash consideration. For further discussion of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the company merger and the ownership and disposition of the common shares of the combined company, see "The Mergers Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences" beginning on page 164.

Holders of LaSalle common shares should consult their tax advisors to determine the tax consequences to them (including the application and effect of any state, local or non-U.S. income and other tax laws) of the company merger and the ownership and disposition of the common shares of the combined company.

#### Accounting Treatment (See page 201)

Pebblebrook prepares its financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which we refer to as GAAP. The mergers will be accounted for by applying the acquisition method. See "The Mergers Accounting Treatment" beginning on page 201 for more information.

# Comparison of Rights of Pebblebrook Shareholders and LaSalle Shareholders (See page 246)

The rights of LaSalle shareholders are currently governed by and subject to the Maryland REIT Law, which we refer to as the MRL, which incorporates certain provisions of the Maryland General Corporation Law, which we refer to as the MGCL, and the declaration of trust and bylaws of LaSalle. Upon consummation of the mergers, the rights of the former LaSalle shareholders and LaSalle OP unitholders who receive Pebblebrook common shares in the mergers will be governed by the MRL and the declaration of trust and bylaws of Pebblebrook, rather than the declaration of trust and bylaws of LaSalle. Generally, the rights of Pebblebrook shareholders are substantially similar to those of LaSalle shareholders.

For a summary of certain differences between the rights of Pebblebrook shareholders and LaSalle shareholders, see "Comparison of Rights of Pebblebrook Shareholders and LaSalle Shareholders" beginning on page 246.

#### Selected Historical Financial Information of Pebblebrook

Except for the data in the table titled "Other Financial Data" below, the following selected historical financial information for each of the years during the five-year period ended December 31, 2017 and the selected balance sheet data as of December 31 for each of the years in the five-year period ended December 31, 2017 have been derived from Pebblebrook's audited consolidated financial statements. The selected historical financial information for the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 and the selected balance sheet data as of June 30, 2018 and 2017 have been derived from Pebblebrook's unaudited interim consolidated financial statements.

You should read the selected historical financial information presented below together with the consolidated financial statements and the related notes thereto and management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations of Pebblebrook included in Pebblebrook's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and its Quarterly Report on

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Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2018 which are incorporated herein by reference. See also "Where You Can Find More Information and Incorporation by Reference" beginning on page 252.

		For the si ended J					For the y	eai	r ended Decen	nbe	r 31,		
		2018		2017		2017	2016		2015		2014		2013
				(I	n (	thousands, exce	pt share and	рe	er-share data)				
Revenues:													
Room	\$	264,489	\$	268,092	\$	532,288 \$	568,867	\$	526,573	\$	410,600 \$	5	321,630
Food and beverage		93,778		92,019		182,737	191,857		190,852		148,114		136,531
Other operating		29,289		27,784		54,292	55,697		53,439		40,062		31,056
Total revenues		387,556		387,895		769,317	816,421		770,864		598,776		489,217
Expenses:													
Hotel operating expenses:													
Room		64,865		67,623		134,068	137,312		124,090		102,709		83,390
Food and beverage		62,924		61,490		123,213	126,957		128,816		104,843		100,244
Other direct and indirect		106,362		106,449		210,692	219,655		215,169		166,435		140,564
Total hotel operating expenses		234,151		235,562		467,973	483,924		468,075		373,987		324,198
Depreciation and amortization		49,464		52,246		102,290	102,439		95,872		68,324		55,570
Real estate taxes, personal property		· ·											
taxes, property insurance and ground		04.600		05.750		40.500	50.400		46.047		26.070		21.052
rent		24,603		25,750		48,500	50,488		46,947		36,878		31,052
General and administrative		11,179		12,578		24,048	28,105		32,335		28,322		20,542
Impairment and other losses		1,378		1,049		6,003	12,148						
Gain on insurance settlement		(13,088)											
Total operating expenses		307,687		327,185		648,814	677,104		643,229		507,511		431,362
Operating income (loss)		79,869		60,710		120,503	139,317		127,635		91,265		57,855
Interest income		122		96		97	1,995		2,511		2,529		2,620
Interest expense		(20,627)		(19,046)		(37,299)	(43,615)		(38,774)		(27,065)		(23,680)
Other		25,356		(15,0.0)		2,265	283		(20,77.)		(27,000)		(20,000)
Gain on sale of hotel properties				14,587		14,877	40,690						
Equity in earnings (loss) of joint				1 1,507		1 1,077	.0,050						
venture							(64,842)		6,213		10,065		7,623
Income (loss) before income taxes		84,720		56,347		100,443	73,828		97,585		76,794		44,418
Income tax (expense) benefit		(1,909)	ı	1,412		(181)	134		(2,590)		(3,251)		(1,226)
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Net income (loss)		82,811		57,759		100,262	73,962		94,995		73,543		43,192
Net income (loss) attributable to		02,011		31,137		100,202	73,702		74,775		73,343		73,172
non-controlling interests		299		213		374	258		327		677		274
N													
Net income (loss) attributable to the Company		82,512		57,546		99,888	73,704		94,668		72,866		42,918
Distributions to preferred shareholders		(8,047)		(8,047)		(16,094)	(19,662)		(25,950)		(25,079)		(22,953)
Issuance costs of redeemed preferred		(0,017)		(0,017)		(10,0)1)	(17,002)		(23,730)		(23,07)		(22,755)
shares							(7,090)						
Net income (loss) attributable to													
common shareholders	\$	74,465	\$	49,499	\$	83,794 \$	46,952	\$	68,718	\$	47,787 \$	\$	19,965
Net income (loss) per share available to common shareholders, basic	\$	1.08		0.70		1.20 \$	0.65		0.95		0.72 \$		0.32
Net income (loss) per share available to	Ψ	1.00	Ψ	0.70	Ÿ	1.20 ψ	0.03	Ψ	0.75 4		3.7 <u>2</u> 4	-	0.52
common shareholders, diluted Weighted-average number of common	\$	1.07	\$	0.70	\$	1.19 \$	0.64	\$	0.94	\$	0.71 \$	\$	0.32
shares, basic	4	68,894,413		70,383,149		69,591,973	71,901,499		71,715,870	6	5,646,712		51,498,389
silares, Dasie		59,227,098		70,383,149		69,984,837	71,901,499		71,715,870		66,264,118		51,498,389
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Weighted-average number of common shares, diluted

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		As of Ju	ıne	30,				For the year	ar	ended Dece	mb	er 31,	
	20	18		2017		2017		2016		2015		2014	2013
							(Ir	thousands)					
Balance Sheet Data:													
Investment in hotel properties, net	\$ 2,4	39,140	\$	2,478,043	\$	2,456,450	\$	2,672,654	\$	2,673,584	\$	2,343,690	\$ 1,717,611
Cash and cash equivalents		17,253		14,337		25,410		33,410		26,345		52,883	55,136
Total assets	2,9	54,130		2,603,699		2,590,868		2,809,259		3,058,471		2,767,186	2,114,031
Unsecured revolving credit facilities	3	83,000		43,000		45,000		82,000		165,000		50,000	
Term loans, net of unamortized deferred													
financing costs	6	70,888		672,174		670,406		671,793		521,883		298,342	99,430
Senior unsecured notes, net of													
unamortized deferred financing costs		99,422		99,495		99,374		99,460		99,392			
Mortgage debt, net of unamortized loan													
premiums and deferred financings costs		69,304		71,584		70,457		142,998		319,320		492,347	451,917
Total shareholders' equity	1,5	27,354		1,510,344		1,498,901		1,605,684		1,758,389		1,781,091	1,473,339
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# **Selected Historical Financial Information of LaSalle**

	For the si ended J						For the y	eai	r ended Decer	nbe	er 31,	
	2018		2017		2017		2016		2015		2014	2013
				(In	thousands, ex	ce	pt share and	pei	r-share data)			
Earnings per Common Share:							•					
Net income (loss) attributable to common												
shareholders excluded amounts												
attributable to unvested restricted shares												
Basic	\$ 0.18	\$	1.16	\$	1.54		2.07	\$	1.09	\$	1.89	\$ 0.73
Diluted	\$ 0.18	\$	1.16	\$	1.54	\$	2.07	\$	1.09	\$	1.88	\$ 0.73
Weighted average number of common												
shares outstanding:												
Basic	111,134,064		112,937,794		112,975,329		112,791,839		112,685,235		104,188,785	97,041,484
Diluted	111,552,469		113,347,580		113,364,092		113,164,599		113,096,420		104,545,895	97,228,671
Balance Sheet Data (at end of period):												
Investment in hotel properties, net	\$ 3,288,558	\$	3,300,353	\$	3,265,615	\$	3,672,209	\$	3,817,676	\$	3,428,556	\$ 3,383,188
Total assets	3,651,538		3,894,129		3,814,941		3,944,079		4,069,346		3,698,779	3,577,757
Borrowings under credit facilities									21,000			220,606
Term loans, net of unamortized debt												
issuance costs	853,488		852,987		853,195		852,758		852,203		476,428	474,675
Bonds payable, net of unamortized debt												
issuance costs			42,472		42,494		42,455		42,316		42,144	42,267
Mortgage loans, including unamortized			·		·		·		·		·	·
loan premiums, net of unamortized debt												
issuance costs	224,915		223,970		224,432		223,494		508,804		500,963	514,233
Noncontrolling interests in consolidated												
entities	16		17		18		17		18		17	18
Noncontrolling interests of common units												
in Operating Partnership	3,268		3,340		3,292		3,277		3,198		6,660	6,054
Preferred shares, liquidation preference	260,000		260,000		260,000		328,750		178,750		178,750	237,472
Total shareholders' equity	2,358,535		2,524,620		2,473,151		2,558,065		2,374,267		2,441,709	2,103,391
Other Data:												
Funds from operations (FFO)	\$ 120,867	\$	149,715	\$	287,958	\$	340,768	\$	316,469	\$	275,224	\$ 234,170
Earnings before interest, taxes,												
depreciation and amortization (EBITDA)	142,531		254.809		414,755		495,016		369,725		427,466	292,232
Cash provided by operating activities	126,868		147,952		281,791		359,251		337,519		283,236	245,565
Cash provided by (used in) investing	.,		. ,		,,,,				,-		,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
activities	(80,010)	)	365,726		286,592		154,154		(642,002)	)	(78,001)	(422,045)
Cash (used in) provided by financing	(,)		, , , ,		,		, , , , ,		,.,.,		(,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	, , , ,
activities	(226,991)	)	(188,848)		(302,368)		(384,453)		196,052		(104,492)	154,778
Cash dividends declared per common	(===,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		(200,010)		(==,=00)		(22., 100)		-, -, -, -		(,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	12 ., 0
share	0.675		0.90		1.80		1.80		1.73		1.41	0.96
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#### Selected Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information (See page F-1)

The following tables show summary unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial information about the combined financial condition and operating results of Pebblebrook and LaSalle after giving effect to the mergers. The unaudited pro forma financial information assumes that the mergers are accounted for by applying the acquisition method and based on Pebblebrook's preliminary estimates, assumptions and pro forma adjustments as described below and in the accompanying notes to the unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial information. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated balance sheet data gives effect to the mergers as if they had occurred on June 30, 2018. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statement of income data gives effect to the mergers as if they had occurred on January 1, 2017, in each case based on the most recent valuation data available. The summary unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial information listed below has been derived from and should be read in conjunction with (1) the more detailed unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial information, including the notes thereto, appearing elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/prospectus and (2) the historical consolidated financial statements and related notes of both Pebblebrook and LaSalle, incorporated herein by reference. See "Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Statements" beginning on page F-1 and "Where You Can Find More Information" beginning on page 252.

The unaudited pro forma consolidated financial information is presented for illustrative purposes only and is not necessarily indicative of the operating results or financial position that would have occurred if the mergers had been consummated at the beginning of the earliest period presented, nor is it necessarily indicative of future operating results or financial position. The pro forma adjustments are estimates based upon information and assumptions available at the time of the filing of this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

		ebblebrook		LaSalle	9	Six Months Ended LaSalle	June 30, 2018 LaSalle		Pro Forma		Pebblebrook
		Historical	I	Historical(1)	A	djustments (A)	Adjusted	1	Adjustments		Pro Forma
Operating Data											
Total revenues	\$	387,556	\$	527,632	\$	(78,747) \$	448,885	\$		\$	836,441
Total hotel operating expenses		234,151		318,771		(53,741)	265,030				499,181
Depreciation and amortization		49,464		92,172		(14,570)	77,602		676		127,742
Interest expense		20,627		20,618			20,618		17,498		58,743
Net income (loss) attributable to common shareholders		74,465		20,477		(3,785)	16,692		(34,900)		56,257
Per common share data									`		
Basic:											
Net income (loss) per share											
available to common shareholders,											
basic	\$	1.08	\$	0.18	\$	(0.03) \$	0.15	\$	0.71	\$	0.43
Weighted-average number of											
common shares, basic		68,894,413		111,134,064		111,134,064	111,134,064		(49,396,375)		130,632,102
Diluted:											
Net income (loss) per share											
available to common shareholders,	_		_		_			_		_	
diluted	\$	1.07	\$	0.18	\$	(0.03) \$	0.15	\$	0.71	\$	0.43
Weighted-average number of											
common shares, diluted		69,227,098		111,552,469		111,552,469	111,552,469		(49,396,375)		131,383,192
Balance Sheet Data:											
Investment in hotel properties, net	\$	2,439,140	\$	3,303,339	\$	(701,041) \$	2,602,298	\$	2,049,387	\$	7,090,825
Total assets		2,954,130		3,651,538		(2,857)	3,648,681		815,394		7,418,205
Total debt		1,222,614		1,078,403			1,078,403		505,427		2,806,444
Total equity		1,532,634		2,361,819		18,551	2,380,370		69,470		3,982,474
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	Year Ended December 31, 2017										
		ebblebrook		LaSalle		LaSalle	LaSalle	-	Pro Forma		ebblebrook
		Historical		Historical(1)	A	djustments (A)	Adjusted	A	djustments	J	Pro Forma
Operating Data											
Total revenues	\$	769,317	\$	1,104,815	\$	(160,029) \$	944,786	\$		\$	1,714,103
Total hotel operating expenses		467,973		659,210		(106,951)	552,259				1,020,232
Depreciation and amortization		102,290		178,374		(30,405)	147,969		8,613		258,872
Interest expense		37,299		39,366			39,366		40,569		117,234
Net income (loss) attributable to											
common shareholders		83,794		174,609		(10,128)	164,481		(59,182)		189,093
Per common share data											
Basic:											
Net income (loss) per share											
available to common shareholders,											
basic	\$	1.20	\$	1.54	\$	(0.09) \$	1.45	\$	1.16	\$	1.43
Weighted-average number of											
common shares, basic		69,591,973		112,975,329		112,975,329	112,975,329		(51,237,640)		131,329,662
Diluted:											
Net income (loss) per share											
available to common shareholders,											
diluted	\$	1.19	\$	1.54	\$	(0.09) \$	1.45	\$	1.16	\$	1.42
Weighted-average number of						, , ,					
common shares, diluted		69,984,837		113,364,092		113,364,092	113,364,092		(51,237,640)		132,111,289

**Unaudited Comparative Per Share Information** 

The following table sets forth for the year ended December 31, 2017, and the six months ended June 30, 2018, selected per share information for Pebblebrook common shares on a historical and pro forma basis and for LaSalle common shares on a historical and pro forma equivalent basis after giving effect to the mergers using the acquisition purchase method of accounting. The information in the table is unaudited. You should read the tables below together with the historical consolidated financial statements and related notes of Pebblebrook and LaSalle contained in their respective Annual Reports on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017, and each of Pebblebrook's and LaSalle's respective Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2018, which are incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. See "Where You Can Find More Information and Incorporation by Reference" beginning on page 252.

The pro forma condensed combined LaSalle equivalent information shows the effect of the mergers from the perspective of an owner of LaSalle common shares and the information was computed by multiplying the Pebblebrook pro forma combined information by the exchange ratio of 0.92.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined per share data is presented for illustrative purposes only and is not necessarily indicative of the operating results or financial position that would have occurred if the mergers had been consummated at the beginning of the earliest period presented, nor is it necessarily indicative of future operating results or financial position. The pro forma adjustments are estimates based upon information and assumptions available at the time of the filing of this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

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The pro forma income from continuing operations per share includes the combined income from continuing operations of Pebblebrook and LaSalle on a pro forma basis as if the mergers had been consummated on January 1, 2017 or June 30, 2018, respectively.

	Pebl	olebro	ok		Las	Salle	
						Pro	
		F	`orma			]	Forma
	Historical	Co	mbined	Hi	storical	Eq	uivalent
For the year ended December 31, 2017							
Net income per common share, basic	\$1.20	\$	1.43	\$	1.54	\$	1.32
Net income per common share, diluted	\$1.19	\$	1.42	\$	1.54	\$	1.31
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$1.52	\$	1.52	\$	1.80	\$	1.40
For the six months ended June 30, 2018							
Net income per common share, basic	\$1.08	\$	0.43	\$	0.18	\$	0.40
Net income per common share, diluted	\$1.07	\$	0.43	\$	0.18	\$	0.40
Cash distributions declared per common share	\$0.76	\$	0.76	\$	0.675	\$	0.70
As of June 30, 2018							
Net book value per common share	\$22.14	\$	30.31	\$	21.17	\$	27.89
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Comparative Pebblebrook and LaSalle Market Price and Dividend Information

Pebblebrook common shares are listed for trading on the NYSE under the symbol "PEB." LaSalle common shares are listed for trading on the NYSE under the symbol "LHO." The following table presents trading information for Pebblebrook common shares and LaSalle common shares on September 5, 2018, the last trading day before public announcement of the mergers, and October 25, 2018, the latest practicable trading day before the date of this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

	Pebblebrook Common Shares							LaSalle Common Shares							
Date	]	High		Low		Close		High		Low		Close			
September 5, 2018	\$	38.52	\$	37.60	\$	38.49	\$	35.18	\$	34.77	\$	35.02			
October 25, 2018	\$	32.98	\$	31.62	\$	32.71	\$	32.63	\$	31.80	\$	32.49			

For illustrative purposes, the following table provides LaSalle equivalent per share information on each of the specified dates. LaSalle equivalent per share amounts are the implied merger prices per share after taking into account the share consideration and the cash consideration (assuming that approximately 33% of LaSalle common shares receive the cash consideration).

	Pebblebrook Common Shares						LaSalle Common Shares						
Date		High		Low	(	Close		High		Low	(	Close	
September 5, 2018	\$	38.52	\$	37.60	\$	38.49	\$	36.22	\$	35.66	\$	36.20	
October 25, 2018	\$	32.98	\$	31.62	\$	32.71	\$	32.82	\$	31.98	\$	32.65	
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# Pebblebrook's Market Price Data

Pebblebrook common shares are listed on the NYSE under the symbol "PEB". This table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low sales prices per Pebblebrook common shares, as reported by the NYSE, and distributions declared per Pebblebrook common share.

	Price Commo			Dividends Declared	
	High		Low	Pe	r Share(1)
2015					
First Quarter	\$ 50.17	\$	44.11	\$	0.31
Second Quarter	\$ 47.06	\$	41.14	\$	0.31
Third Quarter	\$ 46.66	\$	34.77	\$	0.31
Fourth Quarter	\$ 38.88	\$	27.10	\$	0.31
2016					
First Quarter	\$ 29.54	\$	20.51	\$	0.38
Second Quarter	\$ 28.93	\$	23.46	\$	0.38
Third Quarter	\$ 31.85	\$	25.40	\$	0.38
Fourth Quarter	\$ 31.64	\$	23.56	\$	0.38
2017					
First Quarter	\$ 31.73	\$	26.21	\$	0.38
Second Quarter	\$ 33.84	\$	28.47	\$	0.38
Third Quarter	\$ 36.38	\$	31.29	\$	0.38
Fourth Quarter	\$ 38.96	\$	34.77	\$	0.38
2018					
First Quarter	\$ 39.74	\$	32.73	\$	0.38
Second Quarter	\$ 41.65	\$	33.17	\$	0.38
Third Quarter	\$ 39.88	\$	35.66	\$	0.38

(1) Common share cash dividends currently are declared quarterly by Pebblebrook.

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# LaSalle's Market Price Data

LaSalle common shares are listed on the NYSE under the symbol "LHO". This table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low sales prices per LaSalle common share, as reported by the NYSE, and distributions declared per LaSalle common share.

			I	Declared
High Low				r Share(1)
43.56	\$	36.54	\$	0.375
39.70	\$	34.87	\$	0.450
38.46	\$	27.70	\$	0.450
32.10	\$	24.91	\$	0.450
26.85	\$	19.01	\$	0.450
25.31	\$	21.56	\$	0.450
29.10	\$	23.02	\$	0.450
31.15	\$	23.05	\$	0.450
31.87	\$	27.80	\$	0.450
31.75	\$	27.67	\$	0.450
31.39	\$	27.48	\$	0.450
30.87	\$	27.44	\$	0.450
30.99	\$	24.10	\$	0.450
36.13	\$	28.23	\$	0.225
35.64	\$	33.77		
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(1) Future regular, quarterly dividends on LaSalle common shares are prohibited under the merger agreement.

# Ratio of Earnings to Combined Fixed Charges and Preferred Share Dividends

The following table sets forth Pebblebrook's ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred share dividends for the periods shown:

	Six months ended		Year en	ded Decem	ber 31,		
	June 30, 2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	
Ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred share dividends	3.48	2.46	2.75	2.13	1.92	1.30	

For purposes of computing these ratios, Pebblebrook calculates "earnings" by adding pre-tax income from continuing operations before adjustment for income or loss from equity investees, fixed charges and distributed income from equity investees and subtracting interest capitalized and preference security dividend requirements of consolidated subsidiaries, and "fixed charges" by adding interest expensed and capitalized, amortized premiums, discounts and capitalized expenses related to indebtedness, an imputed interest factor included in rentals and preference security dividend requirements of consolidated subsidiaries.

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#### RISK FACTORS

In addition to the other information included in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, including the matters addressed in the section entitled "Cautionary Statement Concerning Forward-Looking Statements," whether you are a Pebblebrook shareholder or a LaSalle shareholder, you should carefully consider the following risks before deciding how to vote your Pebblebrook common shares and/or LaSalle common shares. In addition, you should read and consider the risks associated with each of the businesses of Pebblebrook and LaSalle because these risks will also affect the combined company. These risks can be found in the respective Annual Reports on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q of Pebblebrook and LaSalle, each of which is filed with the SEC and incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. You should also read and consider the other information in this joint proxy statement/prospectus and the other documents incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. See "Where You Can Find More Information and Incorporation by Reference" beginning on page 252.

#### Risks Related to the Mergers

Neither the exchange ratio nor the cash consideration will be adjusted in the event of any change in the share price of either Pebblebrook common shares or LaSalle common shares.

Upon completion of the mergers, each outstanding LaSalle common share will be converted automatically into the right to receive (i) 0.92 Pebblebrook common share, with cash paid in lieu of any fractional shares, or (ii) \$37.80 in cash, without interest. Neither the exchange ratio of 0.92 nor the cash consideration of \$37.80 will be adjusted for changes in the market prices of either Pebblebrook common shares or LaSalle common shares. Changes in the market price of Pebblebrook common shares prior to the mergers will affect the market value of the merger consideration that LaSalle shareholders will receive on the completion date of the mergers. Share price changes may result from a variety of factors (many of which are beyond the control of Pebblebrook and LaSalle), including the following factors:

market reaction to the announcement of the mergers and the prospects of the combined company;

changes in the respective businesses, operations, assets, liabilities and prospects of Pebblebrook and LaSalle;

changes in market assessments of the business, operations, financial position and prospects of either company or the combined company;

market assessments of the likelihood that the mergers will be completed;

interest rates, general market and economic conditions and other factors generally affecting the market prices of Pebblebrook common shares and LaSalle common shares;

federal, state and local legislation, governmental regulation and legal developments in the businesses in which Pebblebrook and LaSalle operate; and

other factors beyond the control of Pebblebrook and LaSalle, including those described or referred to elsewhere in this "Risk Factors" section.

The market price of Pebblebrook common shares at the completion of the mergers may vary from such price on the date the merger agreement was executed, on the date of this joint proxy statement/prospectus and on the date of the special meetings of Pebblebrook and LaSalle. As a result, the market value of the merger consideration represented by the exchange ratio and the cash consideration will also vary. For example, based on the range of trading prices of Pebblebrook common shares during the period after September 5, 2018, the last trading day before Pebblebrook and LaSalle announced the

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mergers, through October 25, 2018, the latest practicable date before the date of this joint proxy statement/prospectus, the exchange ratio of 0.92 represented a market value ranging from a low of \$31.05 to a high of \$38.53, implying merger prices per share of \$31.63 and \$36.23, respectively, after taking into account the cash consideration (assuming that 33% of LaSalle common shares receive the cash consideration).

Because the mergers will be completed after the date of the Pebblebrook and LaSalle special meetings, at the time of your special meeting, you will not know the exact market value of the Pebblebrook common shares you will receive upon completion of the mergers. If the market price of Pebblebrook common shares increases between the date the merger agreement was signed, the date of the Pebblebrook special meeting or the date of the LaSalle special meeting and the completion of the mergers, LaSalle shareholders could receive Pebblebrook common shares that have a market value upon completion of the mergers that is greater than the market value of such shares calculated pursuant to the exchange ratio on the date the merger agreement was signed or on the dates of the special meetings, respectively. Additionally, if the market price of Pebblebrook common shares declines between the date the merger agreement was signed, the date of the Pebblebrook special meeting or the date of the LaSalle special meeting and the completion of the mergers, LaSalle shareholders could receive Pebblebrook common shares that have a market value upon completion of the mergers that is less than the market value of such shares calculated pursuant to the exchange ratio on the date the merger agreement was signed or on the date of the Pebblebrook special meeting, respectively.

Therefore, while the number of Pebblebrook common shares to be issued per LaSalle common share is fixed, (1) Pebblebrook shareholders cannot be sure of the market value of the merger consideration that will be paid to LaSalle shareholders upon completion of the mergers and (2) LaSalle shareholders cannot be sure of the market value of the merger consideration they will receive upon completion of the mergers.

#### Pebblebrook and LaSalle shareholders will be diluted by the mergers.

As a result of the mergers, Pebblebrook shareholders will own a smaller percentage interest in Pebblebrook than they had immediately prior to the mergers and LaSalle shareholders will own a smaller percentage interest in the combined company than they owned in LaSalle immediately prior to the mergers Upon completion of the mergers, we estimate that ownership of the issued and outstanding common shares of the combined company will be as follows (in each case assuming that all of the limited partners (excluding LaSalle and its affiliates) of LaSalle OP elect to receive Pebblebrook common shares instead of Pebblebrook OP common units):

If all LaSalle shareholders elect to receive the maximum cash amount, then Pebblebrook shareholders will own approximately 52.8% and former LaSalle security holders will own approximately 47.2%; and

If all LaSalle shareholders elect to receive Pebblebrook common shares, then Pebblebrook shareholders will own approximately 42.7% and former LaSalle security holders will own approximately 57.3%.

Consequently, Pebblebrook shareholders and LaSalle shareholders, as a general matter, will have less influence over the management and policies of the combined company after the effective time of the company merger than they currently exercise over the management and policies of Pebblebrook and LaSalle, as the case may be.

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Completion of the mergers is subject to many conditions and if these conditions are not satisfied or waived, the mergers will not be completed, which could result in the requirement that Pebblebrook or LaSalle pay certain termination fees.

The merger agreement is subject to many conditions which must be satisfied or waived in order to complete the mergers. For a summary of the conditions that must be satisfied or waived prior to completion of the mergers, see "The Merger Agreement Conditions to the Mergers" beginning on page 228.

There can be no assurance that the conditions to completion of the mergers will be satisfied or waived or that the mergers will be completed. Failure to complete the mergers may adversely affect Pebblebrook's or LaSalle's results of operations and business prospects for the following reasons, among others: (i) each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle will incur certain transaction costs, regardless of whether the proposed mergers are completed, which could adversely affect each company's respective financial condition, results of operations and ability to make distributions to its shareholders; and (ii) the proposed mergers, whether or not they are completed, will divert the attention of certain management and other key employees of Pebblebrook and LaSalle from ongoing business activities, including the pursuit of other opportunities that could be beneficial to Pebblebrook or LaSalle, respectively. In addition, Pebblebrook or LaSalle may terminate the merger agreement under certain circumstances, including, among other reasons, if the mergers are not completed by the end date, and if the merger agreement is terminated under certain circumstances specified in the merger agreement, Pebblebrook may be required to pay LaSalle a termination fee of \$112 million, and LaSalle may be required to pay Pebblebrook a termination fee of \$112 million. In addition, Pebblebrook has paid on behalf of LaSalle a termination fee of \$112 million to BRE Landmark Parent L.P. in connection with LaSalle's termination of the Blackstone merger agreement, and the merger agreement does not provide for Pebblebrook to be reimbursed for such payment. See "The Merger Agreement Termination of the Merger Agreement" beginning on page 230.

Failure to complete the mergers could negatively impact the shares prices and the future business and financial results of both Pebblebrook and LaSalle.

If the mergers are not completed, the ongoing businesses of Pebblebrook and LaSalle could be adversely affected and each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle will have incurred substantial costs despite the failure to complete the mergers, including the following:

LaSalle being required, under certain circumstances, to pay to Pebblebrook a termination fee of \$112 million;

Pebblebrook being required, under certain circumstances, to pay to LaSalle a termination fee of \$81 million;

Pebblebrook and LaSalle having to pay certain costs relating to the mergers, such as legal, accounting, financing related, financial advisor, filing, printing and mailing fees; and

diversion of Pebblebrook and LaSalle management focus and resources from operational matters and other strategic opportunities while working to implement the mergers.

If the mergers are not completed, these costs and diversions could materially affect the business, financial results and share prices of both Pebblebrook and LaSalle.

The pendency of the mergers could adversely affect the business and operations of Pebblebrook and LaSalle.

Prior to the effective time of the company merger, some customers, lessors, lessees, hotel managers or suppliers of each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle may delay or defer decisions, which could negatively affect the revenues, earnings, cash flows and expenses of Pebblebrook and LaSalle, regardless of

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whether the mergers are completed. Similarly, current and prospective employees of Pebblebrook and LaSalle may experience uncertainty about their future roles with the combined company following the mergers, which may materially adversely affect the ability of each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle to attract and retain key personnel during the pendency of the mergers. In addition, due to operating restrictions in the merger agreement, each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle may be unable, during the pendency of the mergers, to pursue strategic transactions, undertake significant capital projects, undertake certain significant financing transactions and otherwise pursue other actions, even if such actions would prove beneficial.

The merger agreement contains provisions that could discourage a potential competing acquirer of LaSalle or Pebblebrook or could result in a competing acquisition proposal being at a lower price than it might otherwise be.

The merger agreement contains provisions that, subject to limited exceptions necessary to comply with the duties of either party's board of trustees, restrict the ability of either party to solicit, initiate or knowingly facilitate an acquisition proposal or an acquisition inquiry. Prior to receiving Pebblebrook or LaSalle shareholder approval of the mergers, either party may negotiate with a third party after receiving an unsolicited written proposal if the other party's board determines in good faith, after consultation with its financial advisors and outside legal counsel, that the acquisition proposal either constitutes a superior proposal or could reasonably be expected to lead to a superior proposal. Once a third-party proposal is received, the receiving party must, among other things, notify the other party within 24 hours following receipt of the proposal and keep the other party informed of the status and terms of the proposal and associated negotiations. In response to such a proposal, if either party's board determines in good faith, after consultation with outside legal counsel, that the acquisition proposal constitutes a superior proposal, either party may, under certain circumstances, make a change in recommendation to such party's shareholders with respect to the mergers and enter into an agreement to consummate a competing transaction with a third party,

These provisions could discourage a potential competing acquirer that might have an interest in acquiring all or a significant part of LaSalle or Pebblebrook from considering or proposing such an acquisition, even if the potential competing acquirer was prepared to pay consideration with a higher per-share value than the value proposed to be received or realized in the mergers, or might result in a potential competing acquirer proposing to pay a lower per share value than it might otherwise have proposed to pay because of the added expense of the termination fee that may become payable in certain circumstances under the merger agreement. See "The Merger Agreement Restriction on Solicitation of Acquisition Proposals" beginning on page 217, "The Merger Agreement Termination of the Merger Agreement" beginning on page 230 and "The Merger Agreement Termination Fees" beginning on page 231.

If the mergers are not consummated by the end date, either Pebblebrook or LaSalle may terminate the merger agreement.

Either Pebblebrook or LaSalle may terminate the merger agreement if the mergers have not been consummated by the end date. However, this termination right will not be available to a party if that party failed to fulfill its obligations under the merger agreement and that failure was a principle cause of, or resulted in, the failure to consummate the mergers.

There can be no assurance that Pebblebrook will be able to secure debt financing in connection with the mergers and the transactions contemplated by the merger agreement on acceptable terms, in a timely manner, or at all.

The mergers are not conditioned upon Pebblebrook having received any financing at or prior to the effective time of the company merger. However, in connection with the mergers and the

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transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, Pebblebrook has entered into a bridge loan commitment letter with Bank of America and BAML. The proceeds from any loan obtained in accordance with the commitment letter may be used, among other things, to pay costs and expenses incurred in connection with the mergers and the transactions contemplated by the merger agreement and to repay certain indebtedness of LaSalle and its subsidiaries. However, Pebblebrook has not entered into a definitive agreement for debt financing nor has it secured alternative financing. There can be no assurance that Pebblebrook will be able to secure such financing in a timely manner, or at all. Under the terms of the merger agreement Pebblebrook is required to close the mergers irrespective of whether it has obtained financing. See "Financing Related to the Mergers" beginning on page 233.

Some of the trustees and executive officers of LaSalle have interests in the mergers that are different from, or in addition to, those of other LaSalle shareholders.

Some of the trustees and executive officers of LaSalle have arrangements that provide them with interests in the mergers that are different from, or in addition to, those of the LaSalle shareholders, generally. These interests may create potential conflicts of interest. For a description of these interests, see the section entitled "The Mergers Interests of LaSalle's Trustees, Executive Officers and Employees in the Mergers" beginning on page 155.

#### Risks Related to the Combined Company Following the Mergers

The combined company expects to incur substantial expenses related to the mergers.

The combined company expects to incur substantial expenses in connection with completing the mergers and integrating the business, operations, networks, systems, technologies, policies and procedures of LaSalle with those of Pebblebrook. There are several systems that must be integrated, including accounting and finance and asset management. While Pebblebrook has assumed that a certain level of transaction and integration expenses would be incurred, there are a number of factors beyond its control that could affect the total amount or the timing of the combined company's integration expenses. Many of the expenses that will be incurred, by their nature, are difficult to estimate accurately at the present time. As a result, the transaction and integration expenses associated with the mergers could, particularly in the near-term, exceed the savings that the combined company expects to achieve from the elimination of duplicative expenses and the realization of economies of scale and cost savings related to the integration of the businesses following the completion of the mergers.

Following the mergers, the combined company may be unable to integrate the businesses of Pebblebrook and LaSalle successfully and realize the anticipated synergies and other benefits of the mergers or do so within the anticipated timeframe.

The mergers involve the combination of two companies that currently operate as independent public companies and their respective operating partnerships. The combined company is expected to benefit from the elimination of duplicative costs associated with operating a public company. These savings are expected to be realized upon full integration following the completion of the mergers. However, the combined company will be required to devote significant management attention and resources to integrating the business practices and operations of Pebblebrook and LaSalle. Potential difficulties the combined company may encounter in the integration process include the following:

the inability to successfully combine the businesses of Pebblebrook and LaSalle in a manner that permits the combined company to achieve the cost savings anticipated to result from the mergers, which would result in the anticipated benefits of the mergers not being realized in the timeframe currently anticipated or at all;

the complexities associated with managing the combined businesses and integrating personnel from the two companies;

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the additional complexities of combining two companies with different histories, cultures, markets and third-party hotel management companies;

potential unknown liabilities and unforeseen increased expenses, delays or regulatory conditions associated with the mergers; and

performance shortfalls as a result of the diversion of management's attention caused by completing the mergers and integrating the companies' operations.

For all these reasons, you should be aware that it is possible that the integration process could result in the distraction of the combined company's management, the disruption of the combined company's ongoing business or inconsistencies in the combined company's operations, services, standards, controls, procedures and policies, any of which could adversely affect the ability of the combined company to maintain relationships with third-party hotel management companies, vendors and employees or to achieve the anticipated benefits of the mergers, or could otherwise adversely affect the business and financial results of the combined company.

# Following the mergers, the combined company may be unable to retain key employees.

The success of the combined company after the mergers will depend in part upon its ability to retain key Pebblebrook and LaSalle employees. Key employees may depart either before or after the mergers because of issues relating to the uncertainty and difficulty of integration or a desire not to remain with the combined company following the mergers. Accordingly, no assurance can be given that Pebblebrook, LaSalle or, following the mergers, the combined company will be able to retain key employees to the same extent as in the past.

# The combined company's anticipated level of indebtedness will increase upon completion of the mergers and will increase the related risks Pebblebrook now faces.

In connection with the mergers, the combined company will assume and/or refinance certain indebtedness of both Pebblebrook and LaSalle, will incur additional indebtedness to pay the cash consideration and will be subject to increased risks associated with debt financing, including an increased risk that the combined company's cash flows could be insufficient to meet required payments on its debt. On June 30, 2018, Pebblebrook had indebtedness of \$1.2 billion, including \$383 million of outstanding borrowings under its revolving credit facility, a total of \$675 million of outstanding term loans, a total of \$100 million of unsecured notes and a total of \$69 million of outstanding mortgage debt and LaSalle had \$1.1 billion. After giving effect to the mergers, the combined company's total pro forma consolidated indebtedness will increase. Taking into account Pebblebrook's existing indebtedness and the assumption and/or refinancing of indebtedness in the mergers, the combined company's pro forma consolidated indebtedness as of June 30, 2018, after giving effect to the mergers, would be approximately \$2.9 billion. As of October 25, 2018, Pebblebrook had an outstanding balance of \$424 million on its revolving credit facility.

The combined company's increased indebtedness could have important consequences to holders of the combined company's common shares and preferred shares, including LaSalle shareholders who receive Pebblebrook common shares in the mergers, including:

increasing the combined company's vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions;

limiting the combined company's ability to obtain additional financing to fund future working capital, capital expenditures and other general corporate requirements;

requiring the use of a substantial portion of the combined company's cash flow from operations for the payment of principal and interest on its indebtedness, thereby reducing its ability to use

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its cash flow to fund working capital, acquisitions, capital expenditures and general corporate requirements;

limiting the combined company's flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in its business and its industry; and

putting the combined company at a disadvantage compared to its competitors with less indebtedness.

If the combined company defaults under a mortgage loan, it will automatically be in default under any other loan that has cross-default provisions, and it may lose the properties securing these loans.

The future results of the combined company will suffer if the combined company does not effectively manage its expanded operations following the mergers.

Following the mergers, the combined company expects to continue to expand its operations through additional acquisitions, some of which may involve complex challenges. The future success of the combined company will depend, in part, upon the ability of the combined company to manage its expansion opportunities, which may pose substantial challenges for the combined company to integrate new operations into its existing business in an efficient and timely manner, and upon its ability to successfully monitor its operations, costs and regulatory compliance, and to maintain other necessary internal controls. There is no assurance that the company's expansion or acquisition opportunities will be successful, or that the combined company will realize its expected operating efficiencies, cost savings, revenue enhancements, synergies or other benefits.

Counterparties to certain significant agreements with Pebblebrook or LaSalle may exercise contractual rights under such agreements in connection with the mergers.

Each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle is party to certain agreements that give the counterparty certain rights following a "change in control," including in some cases the right to terminate the agreement. Under some such agreements, the mergers may constitute a change in control and therefore the counterparty may exercise certain rights under the agreement upon the completion of the mergers. Any such counterparty may request modifications of their respective agreements as a condition to granting a waiver or consent under their agreement. There can be no assurances that such counterparties will not exercise their rights under these agreements, including termination rights where available, or that the exercise of any such rights under, or modification of, these agreements will not adversely affect the business or operations of the combined company.

# Risks Related to an Investment in the Common Shares of the Combined Company Following the Mergers

The market price and trading volume of the common shares of the combined company may be volatile.

The U.S. stock markets, including the NYSE, on which it is anticipated that the common shares of the combined company will be listed under the symbol "PEB," have experienced significant price and volume fluctuations. As a result, the market price of the common shares of the combined company is likely to be similarly volatile, and investors in the common shares of the combined company may experience a decrease in the value of their shares, including decreases unrelated to the combined company's operating performance or prospects. Pebblebrook and LaSalle cannot assure you that the market price of the common shares of the combined company will not fluctuate or decline significantly in the future.

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In addition to the risks listed in this "Risk Factors" section, a number of factors could negatively affect the combined company's share price or result in fluctuations in the price or trading volume of the common shares of the combined company, including:

the annual yield from dividends on the common shares of the combined company as compared to yields on other financial instruments: equity issuances by the combined company, or future sales of substantial amounts of the common shares of the combined company by its existing or future shareholders, or the perception that such issuances or future sales may occur; increases in market interest rates or a decrease in the combined company's distributions to shareholders that lead purchasers of the common shares of the combined company to demand a higher yield; changes in market valuations of similar companies; fluctuations in stock market prices and volumes; additions or departures of key management personnel; the combined company's operating performance and the performance of other similar companies; actual or anticipated differences in the combined company's quarterly operating results; changes in expectations of future financial performance or changes in estimates of securities analysts; publication of research reports about the combined company or its industry by securities analysts; failure to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes; adverse market reaction to any indebtedness the combined company incurs in the future; strategic decisions by the combined company or its competitors, such as acquisitions, divestments, spin-offs, joint ventures, strategic investments or changes in business strategy; the passage of legislation or other regulatory developments that adversely affect the combined company or its industry; speculation in the press or investment community;

changes in the combined company's earnings;

failure to satisfy the listing requirements of the NYSE;
failure to comply with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002;
actions by institutional shareholders of the combined company;
changes in accounting principles; and
general economic and/or market conditions, including factors unrelated to the combined company's performance.

In the past, securities class action litigation has often been instituted against companies following periods of volatility in the price of their common shares. This type of litigation could result in substantial costs and divert the attention and resources of the combined company's management, which could have a material adverse effect on the combined company's cash flows, its ability to execute its business strategy and the combined company's ability to make distributions to its shareholders.

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The market price of the common shares of the combined company may be affected by factors different from those affecting the prices of Pebblebrook common shares or LaSalle common shares before the mergers.

The results of operations of the combined company, as well as the market price of the common shares of the combined company, after the mergers may be affected by other factors in addition to those currently affecting Pebblebrook's or LaSalle's results of operations and the market prices of Pebblebrook common shares and LaSalle common shares. These factors include:

a greater number of common shares of the combined company outstanding as compared to the number of currently outstanding Pebblebrook common shares; and

different shareholders.

Accordingly, the historical market prices and financial results of Pebblebrook and LaSalle may not be indicative for the combined company after the mergers. For a discussion of the businesses of Pebblebrook and LaSalle and certain risks to consider in connection with investing in those businesses, see the documents incorporated by reference by Pebblebrook and LaSalle into this joint proxy statement/prospectus referred to under "Where You Can Find More Information and Incorporation by Reference."

#### The market price of the common shares of the combined company may decline following the mergers.

The market price of the combined company's common shares may decline following the mergers if the combined company does not achieve the perceived benefits of the mergers as rapidly or to the extent anticipated by financial or industry analysts, or the effect of the mergers on the combined company's financial results is not consistent with the expectations of financial or industry analysts.

In addition, upon completion of the mergers, Pebblebrook shareholders and LaSalle shareholders will own interests in a combined company operating an expanded business with a different mix of properties, risks and liabilities. Current Pebblebrook shareholders and LaSalle shareholders may not wish to continue to invest in the combined company, or for other reasons may wish to dispose of some or all of their shares of the combined company. If, following the effective time of the company merger, large amounts of the combined company's common shares are sold, the market price of the combined company's common shares could decline.

The combined company cannot assure you that it will be able to continue paying dividends at or above the rate currently paid by Pebblebrook.

Following the mergers, the shareholders of the combined company may not receive dividends at the same rate they received dividends as Pebblebrook shareholders or as LaSalle shareholders for various reasons, including the following:

the combined company may not have enough cash to pay such dividends due to changes in the combined company's cash requirements, capital spending plans, cash flow or financial position;

decisions on whether, when and in which amounts to make any future distributions will remain at all times entirely at the discretion of the combined company's board of trustees, which reserves the right to change Pebblebrook's current distribution policy at any time and for any reason; and

the amount of distributions that the combined company's subsidiaries may make to the combined company may be subject to restrictions imposed by state law, restrictions that may be imposed by state regulators, and restrictions imposed by the terms of any current or future indebtedness that these subsidiaries may incur, including restrictions imposed under the terms of Pebblebrook preferred shares.

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Shareholders of the combined company will have no contractual or other legal right to dividends that have not been declared by the combined company's board of trustees.

The historical and unaudited pro forma combined financial information included elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/prospectus may not be representative of the combined company's results following the effective time of the company merger, and accordingly, you have limited financial information on which to evaluate the combined company.

The unaudited pro forma combined financial information included elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/prospectus has been presented for informational purposes only and is not necessarily indicative of the financial position or results of operations that actually would have occurred had the mergers been completed as of the date indicated, nor is it indicative of the future operating results or financial position of the combined company. The unaudited pro forma combined financial information does not reflect future events that may occur after the effective time of the company merger, including the costs related to the planned integration of the two companies and any future nonrecurring charges resulting from the mergers, and does not consider potential impacts of current market conditions on revenues or expense efficiencies. The unaudited pro forma combined financial information presented elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/prospectus is based in part on certain assumptions regarding the mergers that Pebblebrook and LaSalle believe are reasonable under the circumstances. Pebblebrook and LaSalle cannot assure you that the assumptions will prove to be accurate over time.

#### The combined company may incur adverse tax consequences if Pebblebrook or LaSalle has failed or fails to qualify as a REIT.

Each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle has operated in a manner that it believes has allowed it to qualify as a REIT under the Code and intends to continue to do so through the time of the company merger. Pebblebrook intends to continue operating in such a manner following the company merger. Neither Pebblebrook nor LaSalle has requested or plans to request a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service, which we refer to as the IRS, that it qualifies as a REIT. Qualification as a REIT involves the application of highly technical and complex Code provisions for which there are only limited judicial and administrative interpretations. The complexity of these provisions and of the applicable Treasury Regulations is greater in the case of a REIT, like each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle, that holds its assets through a partnership. The determination of various factual matters and circumstances not entirely within the control of Pebblebrook or LaSalle may affect its ability to qualify as a REIT. In order to qualify as a REIT, each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle must satisfy a number of requirements, including requirements regarding the ownership of its shares and the composition of its gross income and assets. Also, a REIT must distribute to shareholders annually at least 90% of its net taxable income, excluding any net capital gains.

If Pebblebrook (or, following the company merger, the combined company) loses its REIT status, or is determined to have lost its REIT status in a prior year, it will face serious tax consequences that would substantially reduce its cash available for distribution, including cash available to pay dividends to its shareholders, because:

it would be subject to U.S. federal, state and local income tax on its net income at regular corporate rates for the years it did not qualify for taxation as a REIT (and, for such years, would not be allowed a deduction for dividends paid to shareholders in computing its taxable income);

unless it is entitled to relief under applicable statutory provisions, neither it nor any "successor" company could elect to be taxed as a REIT until the fifth taxable year following the year during which it was disqualified; and

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for five years following re-election of REIT status, upon a taxable disposition of an asset owned as of such re-election, it could be subject to corporate level tax with respect to any built-in gain inherent in such asset at the time of re-election.

Even if Pebblebrook (or, following the company merger, the combined company) retains its REIT status, if LaSalle is determined to have lost its REIT status for a taxable year ending on or before the company merger, LaSalle would be subject to adverse tax consequences similar to those described above. This could substantially reduce the combined company's cash available for distribution, including cash available to pay dividends to its shareholders, because, assuming that the combined company otherwise maintains its REIT qualification:

if the combined company were considered to be a "successor" of LaSalle, it could not elect to be taxed as a REIT until the fifth taxable year following the year during which LaSalle was disqualified, unless the combined company is entitled to relief under applicable statutory provisions;

the combined company would be subject to corporate-level tax with respect to the built-in gain on each asset of LaSalle existing at the time of the mergers if the combined company were to dispose of the LaSalle asset during the five-year period following the mergers;

the combined company would succeed to any earnings and profits accumulated by LaSalle for taxable periods that it did not qualify as a REIT, and the combined company would have to pay a special dividend and/or employ applicable deficiency dividend procedures (including interest payments to the IRS) to eliminate any such earnings and profits to maintain its REIT qualification; and

if LaSalle incurred any unpaid tax liabilities prior to the mergers, those tax liabilities would be transferred to the combined company as a result of the mergers.

If there is an adjustment to LaSalle's taxable income or dividends paid deductions, the combined company could elect to use the deficiency dividend procedure in order to maintain LaSalle's REIT status. That deficiency dividend procedure could require the combined company to make significant distributions to its shareholders and to pay significant interest to the IRS.

As a result of all these factors, Pebblebrook's (or following the mergers, the combined company's) or LaSalle's failure to qualify as a REIT could impair the combined company's ability to expand its business and raise capital, and would materially adversely affect the value of its shares.

# Risks Related to Pebblebrook's Qualification as a REIT

You should read and consider the risk factors specific to Pebblebrook's qualification as a REIT, which will also affect the combined company after the mergers. These risks are described in Part I, Item 1A of Pebblebrook's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 under the heading "Federal Income Tax Risk Factors" and in other documents that are incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. Refer to the section entitled "Where You Can Find More Information and Incorporation by Reference" beginning on page 252. If the company merger does not qualify as a tax-free reorganization, there may be adverse tax consequences.

## Risks Related to LaSalle's Qualification as a REIT

You should read and consider the risk factors specific to LaSalle's qualification as a REIT, which will also affect the combined company after the mergers. These risks are described in Part I, Item 1A of LaSalle's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 under the heading "Risks Related to Our Status as a REIT," and in other documents that are incorporated by reference

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into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. Refer to the section entitled "Where You Can Find More Information and Incorporation by Reference" beginning on page 252.

# If the company merger does not qualify as a tax-free reorganization, LaSalle shareholders may recognize taxable gain.

The completion of the mergers is conditioned on the receipt by each of Pebblebrook and LaSalle of an opinion of its respective counsel to the effect that the company merger will qualify as a tax-free reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Code. However, these legal opinions will not be binding on the IRS or on the courts. If the company merger were to fail to qualify as a tax-free reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Code, then each LaSalle shareholder generally would recognize gain or loss, as applicable, equal to the difference between (i) the sum of the fair market value of the Pebblebrook common shares and/or cash received by the LaSalle shareholder in the company merger; and (ii) the LaSalle shareholder's adjusted tax basis in its LaSalle common shares exchanged therefor.

# The combined company depends on key personnel for its future success, and the loss of key personnel or inability to attract and retain personnel could harm the combined company's business.

The future success of the combined company depends in large part on its ability to hire and retain a sufficient number of qualified personnel. The future success of the combined company also depends upon the service of the combined company's executive officers, who have extensive market knowledge and relationships and will exercise substantial influence over the combined company's operational, financing, acquisition and disposition activity.

The executive officers of Pebblebrook immediately prior to the effective time of the company merger will continue to serve as the executive officers of the combined company, with Jon E. Bortz continuing to serve as the President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of the combined company. These officers have extensive experience and strong reputations in the industry. The loss of services of one or more members of the combined company's senior management team, or the combined company's inability to attract and retain highly qualified personnel, could adversely affect the combined company's business, diminish the combined company's investment opportunities and weaken its relationships with lenders and business partners, which could materially and adversely affect the combined company.

## Pebblebrook and LaSalle face other risks.

The foregoing risks are not exhaustive, and you should be aware that, following the mergers, the combined company will face various other risks, including those discussed in reports filed by Pebblebrook and LaSalle with the SEC. See "Where You Can Find More Information and Incorporation by Reference" beginning on page 252.

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#### CAUTIONARY STATEMENT CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This joint proxy statement/prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. These forward-looking statements are based on current expectations, estimates and projections about the industry and markets in which Pebblebrook and LaSalle operate and beliefs of, and assumptions made by, Pebblebrook management and LaSalle management and involve uncertainties that could significantly affect the financial results of Pebblebrook, LaSalle or the combined company. Words such as "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "seeks," "estimates," variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements, which generally are not historical in nature. Such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements about the anticipated benefits of the business combination transaction involving Pebblebrook and LaSalle, including future financial and operating results, and the combined company's plans, objectives, expectations and intentions. All statements that address operating performance, events or developments that Pebblebrook and LaSalle expect or anticipate will occur in the future including statements relating to expected synergies, improved liquidity and balance sheet strength are forward-looking statements. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Although Pebblebrook and LaSalle believe the expectations reflected in any forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, Pebblebrook and LaSalle can give no assurance that their expectations will be attained and therefore, actual outcomes and results may differ materially from what is expressed or forecasted in such forward-looking statements. Some of the factors that may affect outcomes and results include, b

each of Pebblebrook's and LaSalle's success, or the success of the combined company, in implementing its business strategy and its ability to identify, underwrite, finance, consummate and integrate acquisitions or investments or to make dispositions;

changes in national, regional and local economic conditions;

changes in financial markets and interest rates, or to the business or financial condition of Pebblebrook, LaSalle or the combined company or their respective businesses;

the nature and extent of future competition;

each of Pebblebrook's and LaSalle's ability, or the ability of the combined company, to pay down, refinance, restructure and/or extend its indebtedness as it becomes due;

the ability to maintain qualification as a REIT;

availability to Pebblebrook, LaSalle and the combined company of financing and capital;

the impact of any financial, accounting, legal or regulatory issues or litigation that may affect Pebblebrook, LaSalle or the combined company;

risks associated with achieving expected revenue synergies or cost savings as a result of the mergers;

risks associated with the companies' ability to consummate the mergers, the timing of the completion of the mergers and unexpected costs or unexpected liabilities that may arise from the mergers, whether or not completed; and

those additional risks and factors discussed in reports filed with the SEC, by Pebblebrook and LaSalle from time to time, including those discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" in their respective most recently filed reports on Forms 10-K and 10-Q.

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Should one or more of the risks or uncertainties described above or elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/prospectus occur, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results and plans could differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these statements, which speak only as of the date they were prepared.

All forward-looking statements, expressed or implied, included in this joint proxy statement/prospectus are expressly qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement. This cautionary statement should also be considered in connection with any subsequent written or oral forward-looking statements that Pebblebrook, LaSalle or persons acting on their behalf may issue.

Neither Pebblebrook nor LaSalle undertakes any duty to update any forward-looking statements appearing in this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

#### THE COMPANIES

#### Pebblebrook Hotel Trust and Pebblebrook Hotel, L.P.

Pebblebrook Hotel Trust 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100 West Bethesda, Maryland 20814 (240) 507-1300 www.pebblebrookhotels.com

Pebblebrook Hotel Trust is an internally managed hotel investment company, organized in October 2009 to opportunistically acquire and invest in hotel properties located primarily in major U.S. cities, with an emphasis on the major gateway coastal markets. As of June 30, 2018, the Company owned 28 hotels with a total of 6,972 guest rooms.

Pebblebrook common shares are listed on the NYSE, trading under the symbol "PEB".

Pebblebrook Hotel, L.P. 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100 West Bethesda, Maryland 20814 (240) 507-1300

Substantially all of Pebblebrook's assets are held by, and all of its operations are conducted through, Pebblebrook Hotel, L.P., which we refer to as Pebblebrook OP. Pebblebrook is the sole general partner of Pebblebrook OP. At June 30, 2018, Pebblebrook owned 99.7% of the Pebblebrook OP common units issued by Pebblebrook OP. The remaining 0.3% of Pebblebrook OP common units are owned by other limited partners of Pebblebrook OP.

### LaSalle Hotel Properties and LaSalle Hotel Operating Partnership, L.P.

LaSalle Hotel Properties 7550 Wisconsin Avenue, 10th Floor Bethesda, Maryland 20814 (301) 941-1500 www.lasallehotels.com

LaSalle Hotel Properties was organized as a Maryland real estate investment trust on January 15, 1998, and primarily buys, owns, redevelops and leases upscale and luxury full-service hotels located in convention, resort and major urban business markets. LaSalle is a self-administered REIT.

LaSalle common shares are listed on the NYSE, trading under the symbol "LHO".

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LaSalle Hotel Operating Partnership, L.P. 7550 Wisconsin Avenue, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Bethesda, Maryland 20814 (301) 941-1500

LaSalle OP was formed as a Delaware limited partnership on January 13, 1998. LaSalle is the general partner of the LaSalle OP, and, as of June 30, 2018, owned through a combination of direct and indirect interests, approximately 99.9% of the common units of LaSalle OP. The remaining 0.1% is held by limited partners who owned 145,223 LaSalle OP common units as of June 30, 2018.

### The Combined Company

References to the combined company are to Pebblebrook after the effective time of the mergers. The combined company will be named "Pebblebrook Hotel Trust" and will be a Maryland real estate investment trust. At the effective time of the company merger, all of the seven members of the Pebblebrook Board will continue to serve as the trustees of the combined company. No members of the LaSalle Board will serve as trustees of the combined company. The executive officers of Pebblebrook will continue to serve as the executive officers of the combined company, with Mr. Bortz continuing to serve as President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of the combined company. The combined company is expected to have a pro forma enterprise value of approximately \$7.6 billion and a total market capitalization of approximately \$4.3 billion (in each case based on the closing price of Pebblebrook common shares on October 25, 2018 of \$32.71, and assuming that all LaSalle shareholders elect to receive the maximum cash amount). The combined company's asset base after the completion of the mergers will consist primarily of 66 hotel properties (assuming that the sale of three LaSalle hotels under contract for sale is completed as expected immediately prior to completion of the mergers), and the combined company will have a greater presence in key urban markets in the United States, including significant exposure to major market West Coast cities with strong long-term growth and high barriers to entry.

The business of the combined company will be operated through Pebblebrook OP and its subsidiaries, including the surviving partnership. After giving effect to the mergers, Pebblebrook OP will hold a limited partnership interest in the surviving partnership, and a wholly owned subsidiary of Pebblebrook OP will be the general partner of the surviving partnership. The Pebblebrook parties will have the full, exclusive and complete responsibility for and discretion in the day-to-day management and control of Pebblebrook OP and the surviving partnership.

The common shares of the combined company will continue to be listed on the NYSE, trading under the symbol "PEB".

The combined company's principal executive offices will be located at Pebblebrook's current offices, 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100 West, Bethesda, Maryland 20814.

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#### THE PEBBLEBROOK SPECIAL MEETING

This joint proxy statement/prospectus is being furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies from Pebblebrook shareholders for use at the Pebblebrook special meeting. This joint proxy statement/prospectus and accompanying form of proxy are first being mailed to Pebblebrook shareholders on or about [ • ], 2018.

#### Date, Time, Place and Purpose of the Pebblebrook Special Meeting

The special meeting of the Pebblebrook shareholders will be held on November 27, 2018, beginning at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the offices of Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP, 2200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20037 for the following purposes:

- to consider and vote on a proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares to the holders of LaSalle common shares, and certain holders of LaSalle OP common units pursuant to the merger agreement (a copy of which is attached as Annex A to this joint proxy statement/prospectus); and
- to consider and vote on a proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

A copy of the merger agreement is attached as *Annex A* to **this joint proxy statement/prospectus**, which Pebblebrook encourages you to read carefully in its entirety.

This joint proxy statement/prospectus also contains information regarding the LaSalle special meeting, including the items of business for the LaSalle special meeting. Pebblebrook shareholders are not voting on the proposals to be voted on at the LaSalle special meeting.

### Recommendation of the Pebblebrook Board of Trustees

The Pebblebrook Board has unanimously (i) determined and declared that the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement are advisable and in the best interests of Pebblebrook and Pebblebrook shareholders, (ii) approved the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement and (iii) authorized and approved the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement. Certain factors considered by the Pebblebrook Board in reaching its decision to approve the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement can be found in the section entitled "The Mergers Recommendation of the Pebblebrook Board and Its Reasons for the Mergers" beginning on page 122.

The Pebblebrook Board unanimously recommends that Pebblebrook shareholders vote "FOR" the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement and "FOR" the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

#### Pebblebrook Record Date; Who Can Vote at the Pebblebrook Special Meeting

Only holders of record of Pebblebrook common shares at the close of business on October 23, 2018, Pebblebrook's record date, are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Pebblebrook special meeting and any adjournment of the special meeting. As of the record date, there were 69,039,917 Pebblebrook common shares outstanding and entitled to vote at the Pebblebrook special meeting, held by approximately 19 shareholders of record.

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Each Pebblebrook common share owned on Pebblebrook's record date is entitled to one vote on each proposal at the Pebblebrook special meeting.

### Required Vote; Quorum

Approval of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on such proposal.

Approval of the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement requires the affirmative vote of a majority of all votes cast on such proposal.

Regardless of the number of Pebblebrook common shares you own, your vote is important. Please complete, sign, date and promptly return the enclosed proxy card today or vote by phone or Internet.

Pebblebrook's bylaws provide that the presence in person or by proxy of shareholders entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast at such meeting on any matter constitutes a quorum at a meeting of its shareholders. Shares that are voted and shares abstaining from voting are treated as being present at the Pebblebrook special meeting for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present.

#### **Abstentions and Broker Non-Votes**

Abstentions will be counted in determining the presence of a quorum, but broker non-votes will not be counted in determining the presence of a quorum. Abstentions will have no effect on the outcome of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement. Broker non-votes will not be counted as votes cast on such proposal and therefore will also have no effect on the outcome of the proposal as long as a quorum is present. Abstentions will have no effect on the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement. Broker non-votes will also have no effect on such proposal.

### **Manner of Submitting Proxy**

Pebblebrook shareholders may vote for or against the proposals submitted at the Pebblebrook special meeting in person or by proxy. Pebblebrook shareholders can authorize a proxy in the following ways:

*Internet.* Pebblebrook shareholders may submit a proxy over the Internet by going to www.proxyvote.com. Once at the website, they should follow the instructions to submit a proxy.

*Telephone.* Pebblebrook shareholders may submit a proxy using the toll-free number at 1-877-219-9655 and following the recorded instructions. Pebblebrook shareholders will be asked to provide the control number from the enclosed proxy card.

*Mail.* Pebblebrook shareholders may submit a proxy by completing, signing, dating and returning their proxy card or voting instruction card in the preaddressed postage-paid envelope provided.

Pebblebrook shareholders should refer to their proxy cards or the information forwarded by their broker or other nominee to see which options are available to them.

The Internet and telephone proxy submission procedures are designed to authenticate shareholders and to allow them to confirm that their instructions have been properly recorded. If you submit a proxy over the Internet or by telephone, then you need not return a written proxy card or voting instruction

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card by mail. The Internet and telephone facilities available to record holders will close at 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time, on November 26, 2018.

The method by which Pebblebrook shareholders submit a proxy will in no way limit their right to vote at the Pebblebrook special meeting if they later decide to attend the meeting and vote in person. If Pebblebrook common shares are held in the name of a broker or other nominee, Pebblebrook shareholders must obtain a proxy, executed in their favor, from the broker or other nominee, to be able to vote in person at the Pebblebrook special meeting.

All Pebblebrook common shares entitled to vote and represented by properly completed proxies received prior to the Pebblebrook special meeting, and not revoked, will be voted at the Pebblebrook special meeting as instructed on the proxies. If Pebblebrook shareholders of record return properly executed proxies but do not indicate how their Pebblebrook common shares should be voted on a proposal, the Pebblebrook common shares represented by their properly executed proxy will be voted as the Pebblebrook Board recommends and, therefore, "FOR" the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement and "FOR" the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement. If you do not provide voting instructions to your broker or other nominee, your Pebblebrook common shares will NOT be voted and will be considered broker non-votes.

#### Shares Held in "Street Name"

If Pebblebrook shareholders hold Pebblebrook common shares in an account of a broker or other nominee and they wish to vote such shares, they must return their voting instructions to the broker or other nominee.

If Pebblebrook shareholders hold Pebblebrook common shares in an account of a broker or other nominee and attend the Pebblebrook special meeting, they should bring a letter from their broker or other nominee identifying them as the beneficial owner of such Pebblebrook common shares, but they will need a "legal proxy" from the broker or other nominee to vote those shares at the Pebblebrook special meeting.

If Pebblebrook shareholders hold their shares in "street name" and they fail to provide their broker or other nominee with any instructions regarding how to vote their Pebblebrook common shares, their Pebblebrook common shares held by brokers and other nominees will NOT be voted, and will NOT be present for purposes of determining a quorum.

### **Revocation of Proxies or Voting Instructions**

Pebblebrook shareholders of record may change their vote or revoke their proxy at any time before it is exercised at the Pebblebrook special meeting by:

submitting notice in writing to Pebblebrook's Secretary at Pebblebrook Hotel Trust, 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100 West, Bethesda, Maryland 20814, Attn: Corporate Secretary;

executing and delivering a later-dated proxy card or submitting a later-dated proxy by telephone or on the Internet; or

voting in person at the Pebblebrook special meeting.

Attending the Pebblebrook special meeting without voting will not revoke your proxy.

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Pebblebrook shareholders who hold Pebblebrook common shares in an account of a broker or other nominee may revoke their voting instructions by following the instructions provided by their broker or other nominee.

#### **Tabulation of Votes**

Pebblebrook will appoint an inspector of election for the Pebblebrook special meeting to determine whether a quorum is present and tabulate affirmative and negative votes and abstentions.

### Solicitation of Proxies; Payment of Solicitation Expenses

The solicitation of proxies from Pebblebrook shareholders is made on behalf of the Pebblebrook Board. Pebblebrook will pay the cost of soliciting proxies from Pebblebrook shareholders. Pebblebrook has engaged Okapi to assist in the solicitation of proxies for the special meeting and Pebblebrook estimates it will pay Okapi a fee of approximately \$30,000, plus an additional \$100,000 upon the completion of the mergers. Pebblebrook has also agreed to reimburse Okapi for reasonable expenses incurred in connection with the proxy solicitation and to indemnify Okapi against certain losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses.

Pebblebrook's trustees, officers and employees also may solicit proxies by mail, personal interview, telephone, facsimile, e mail, on the Internet or otherwise. Pebblebrook's trustees, officers and employees will not be paid any additional amounts for soliciting proxies. Pebblebrook also will request persons, firms and corporations holding shares in their names, or in the names of their nominees, that are beneficially owned by others to send or cause to be sent proxy materials to, and obtain proxies from, such beneficial owners and will reimburse such holders for their reasonable expenses in so doing.

#### Adjournments

Although it is not currently expected, the Pebblebrook special meeting may be adjourned for the purpose of soliciting additional proxies if the holders of a sufficient number of Pebblebrook common shares are not present at the Pebblebrook special meeting, in person or by proxy, to constitute a quorum or if Pebblebrook believes it is reasonably likely that the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement will not be approved at the Pebblebrook special meeting when convened on November 27, 2018, or when reconvened following any adjournment. Any adjournments may be made to a date not more than 120 days after the original record date without notice (other than by an announcement at the Pebblebrook special meeting), by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on the proposal to approve any adjournment, whether or not a quorum exists, or by the Pebblebrook Board for any reason (subject to certain restrictions in the merger agreement, including that the Pebblebrook special meeting may not be held, without LaSalle's consent, on a date that is more than 30 days after the date on which the Pebblebrook special meeting was originally scheduled).

### **Postponements**

At any time prior to convening the Pebblebrook special meeting, the Pebblebrook Board may postpone the Pebblebrook special meeting for any reason without the approval of the Pebblebrook shareholders (subject to certain restrictions in the merger agreement, including that the Pebblebrook special meeting may not be held, without LaSalle's consent, on a date that is more than 30 days after the date on which the Pebblebrook special meeting was originally scheduled).

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#### PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO PEBBLEBROOK SHAREHOLDERS

#### **Common Shares Issuance Proposal**

#### (Proposal 1 on the Pebblebrook Proxy Card)

Pebblebrook shareholders are asked to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement. For a summary and detailed information regarding this proposal, see the information about the mergers and the merger agreement throughout this joint proxy statement/prospectus, including the information set forth in sections entitled "The Mergers" beginning on page 76 and "The Merger Agreement" beginning on page 203. A copy of the merger agreement is attached as Annex A to this joint proxy statement/prospectus. Approval of this proposal requires the affirmative vote of at least a majority of all votes cast at the special meeting on the proposal.

Pursuant to the merger agreement, approval of this proposal is a condition to the completion of the mergers. If the proposal is not approved, the mergers will not be completed.

#### Recommendation of the Pebblebrook Board of Trustees

The Pebblebrook Board unanimously recommends that Pebblebrook shareholders vote FOR the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

#### Pebblebrook Adjournment Proposal

#### (Proposal 2 on the Pebblebrook Proxy Card)

Pebblebrook shareholders are being asked to approve a proposal to adjourn the Pebblebrook special meeting one or more times to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to permit, among other things, further solicitation of proxies, if necessary or appropriate, to obtain additional votes in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the Pebblebrook special meeting to approve such proposal. Approval of this proposal requires the affirmative vote of at least a majority of all votes cast at the special meeting on the proposal.

If, at the Pebblebrook special meeting, the number of Pebblebrook common shares present in person or represented by proxy and voting in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement is insufficient to approve the proposal, Pebblebrook intends to move to adjourn the Pebblebrook special meeting in order to enable the Pebblebrook Board to solicit additional proxies for approval of the proposal.

#### Recommendation of the Pebblebrook Board of Trustees

The Pebblebrook Board unanimously recommends that Pebblebrook shareholders vote FOR the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the Pebblebrook special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the issuance of Pebblebrook common shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

#### Other Business

No business may be brought before the Pebblebrook special meeting except as set forth in the notice.

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#### THE LASALLE SPECIAL MEETING

This document is being furnished to LaSalle shareholders in connection with the solicitation of proxies from holders of LaSalle common shares by the LaSalle Board to be exercised at the LaSalle special meeting. This document and accompanying form of proxy are first being mailed to LaSalle common shareholders on or about [ • ], 2018.

#### Date, Time, Place and Purpose of the LaSalle Special Meeting

A special meeting of LaSalle's common shareholders will be held on November 27, 2018 at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the Sofitel Washington DC Lafayette Square, 806 15th Street NW, Washington, DC, 20005 for the following purposes:

to consider and vote on the merger proposal;

to consider and vote on the LaSalle advisory (non-binding) proposal on specified compensation; and

to consider and vote on the LaSalle adjournment proposal.

No other business may be acted upon at the LaSalle special meeting or any postponement or adjournment thereof. Holders of at least 66<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>% of LaSalle's outstanding common shares entitled to vote at the LaSalle special meeting must approve the merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement for the mergers to occur.

A copy of the merger agreement is attached as Annex A to **this joint proxy statement/prospectus**, which LaSalle encourages you to read carefully in its entirety.

This joint proxy statement/prospectus also contains information regarding the Pebblebrook special meeting, including the items of business for the Pebblebrook special meeting. LaSalle shareholders are not voting on the proposals to be voted on at the Pebblebrook special meeting.

### Recommendation of the LaSalle Board of Trustees

The LaSalle Board, by a unanimous vote of all trustees present (with only Mr. Scott not present due to his hospitalization), (i) determined that the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement are advisable and in the best interests of LaSalle and LaSalle shareholders, (ii) authorized and approved the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement and (iii) approved and adopted the merger agreement. Certain factors considered by the LaSalle Board in reaching its decision to approve the merger agreement, the mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement can be found in the section entitled "The Mergers Recommendation of the LaSalle Board and Its Reasons for the Mergers" beginning on page 118.

The LaSalle Board, by a unanimous vote of all trustees present (with only Mr. Scott not present due to his hospitalization), recommends that LaSalle shareholders vote "FOR" the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, "FOR" the non-binding advisory proposal to approve certain compensation that may be paid or become payable to certain executive officers of LaSalle in connection with the merger agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby and "FOR" the proposal to approve one or more adjournments of the LaSalle special meeting to another date, time or place, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the proposal to approve the company merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement.

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#### **Record Date, Notice and Quorum**

All holders of record of LaSalle common shares as of the record date, which was the close of business on October 23, 2018, are entitled to receive notice of and attend and vote at the LaSalle special meeting or any postponement or adjournment of the LaSalle special meeting. Each LaSalle common shareholder will be entitled to cast one vote on each matter presented at the LaSalle special meeting for each LaSalle common share that such holder owned as of the record date. On the record date, there were 110,397,737 LaSalle common shares outstanding and entitled to vote at the LaSalle special meeting.

The presence in person or by proxy of LaSalle shareholders entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast as of the close of business on the record date will constitute a quorum for purposes of the LaSalle special meeting. A quorum is necessary to transact business at the LaSalle special meeting. Abstentions will be counted as shares present for the purposes of determining the presence of a quorum. If a quorum is not present at the LaSalle special meeting, LaSalle expects that the LaSalle special meeting will be adjourned to a later date.

#### **Required Vote**

Completion of the mergers requires approval of the merger proposal by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least  $66^2/3\%$  of the outstanding LaSalle common shares as of the record date for the LaSalle special meeting. Each LaSalle common shareholder is entitled to cast one vote on each matter presented at the LaSalle special meeting for each LaSalle common share owned by such shareholder on the record date. Because the required vote for the merger proposal is based on the number of votes LaSalle's common shareholders are entitled to cast rather than on the number of votes cast, failure to vote your LaSalle common shares (including failure to give voting instructions to your broker or other nominee) and abstentions will have the same effect as voting "AGAINST" the merger proposal.

In addition, the approval of the LaSalle advisory (non-binding) proposal on specified compensation and the approval of the LaSalle adjournment proposal each requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on the proposal. Approval of these proposals is not a condition to completion of the mergers. For the purpose of each of these proposals, if a LaSalle shareholder fails to cast a vote on such proposal, in person or by authorizing a proxy, such failure will not have any effect on the outcome of such proposal. Abstentions are not considered votes cast and therefore will have no effect on the outcome of such proposals.

Accordingly, in order for your LaSalle common shares to be included in the vote, if you are a shareholder of record of LaSalle common shares, you must either return the enclosed LaSalle proxy card, authorize your proxy or voting instructions by telephone or through the Internet or vote in person at the LaSalle special meeting.

As of the record date, LaSalle's trustees and executive officers owned and are entitled to vote an aggregate of approximately 595,590 LaSalle common shares, entitling them to exercise less than 1% of the voting power of the LaSalle common shares entitled to vote at the LaSalle special meeting. LaSalle's trustees and executive officers have informed LaSalle that they intend to vote the LaSalle common shares that they own in favor of the merger proposal, in favor of the LaSalle advisory (non-binding) proposal on specified compensation and in favor of the LaSalle adjournment proposal.

In addition, at the close of business on the record date, Pebblebrook OP owned and was entitled to vote 10,809,215 LaSalle common shares, or approximately 9.8% of the LaSalle common shares issued and outstanding on that date. In the merger agreement, Pebblebrook OP agreed to vote all of its LaSalle common shares in favor of the company merger.

Votes cast by proxy or in person at the LaSalle special meeting will be counted by the person appointed by LaSalle to act as inspector of election for the LaSalle special meeting. The inspector of

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election will also determine the number of LaSalle common shares represented at the LaSalle special meeting, in person or by proxy.

### How to Authorize a Proxy

Holders of record of LaSalle common shares may vote or cause their shares to be voted by proxy using one of the following methods:

mark, sign, date and return the enclosed LaSalle proxy card by mail;

authorize your proxy or voting instructions by telephone or through the Internet by following the instructions included with your LaSalle proxy card; or

appear and vote in person at the LaSalle special meeting.

Regardless of whether you plan to attend the LaSalle special meeting, LaSalle requests that you authorize a proxy to vote your LaSalle common shares as described above as promptly as possible.

Under NYSE rules, all of the proposals in this joint proxy statement/prospectus are non-routine matters, so there can be no broker non-votes at the LaSalle special meeting. A broker non-vote occurs when shares held by a bank, broker, trust or other nominee are represented at a meeting, but the bank, broker, trust or other nominee has not received voting instructions from the beneficial owner and does not have the discretion to direct the voting of the shares on a particular proposal but has discretionary voting power on other proposals at such meeting. Accordingly, if you own LaSalle common shares through a broker, bank or other nominee (*i.e.*, in "street name"), you must provide voting instructions in accordance with the instructions on the voting instruction card that your broker, bank or other nominee provides to you, as brokers, banks and other nominees do not have discretionary voting authority with respect to any of the three proposals described in this joint proxy statement/prospectus. You should instruct your broker, bank or other nominee as to how to vote your LaSalle common shares following the directions contained in such voting instruction card. If you have not received such voting instructions or require further information regarding such voting instructions, contact your broker, bank or other nominee who can give you directions on how to vote your LaSalle common shares. If you hold your LaSalle common shares through a broker, bank or other nominee and wish to vote in person at the LaSalle special meeting, you must obtain a "legal proxy," executed in your favor, from the broker, bank or other nominee (which may take several days).

Because the merger proposal requires the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 66<sup>2</sup>/3% of all of the outstanding LaSalle common shares, the failure to provide your bank, broker, trust or other nominee with voting instructions will have the same effect as voting "AGAINST" the merger proposal. Because the approval of each of the LaSalle advisory (non-binding) proposal on specified compensation and the LaSalle adjournment proposal requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on such proposal, and because your bank, broker, trust or other nominee does not have discretionary authority to vote on either proposal, the failure to provide your bank, broker, trust or other nominee with voting instructions will have no effect on approval of either proposal, assuming a quorum is present.

### **Proxies and Revocation**

If you authorize a proxy to vote your LaSalle common shares, your LaSalle common shares will be voted at the LaSalle special meeting as you indicate on your proxy. If no instructions are indicated when you authorize your proxy, your LaSalle common shares will be voted in accordance with the recommendations of the LaSalle Board. The LaSalle Board recommends that you vote "FOR" the merger proposal, "FOR" the LaSalle advisory (non-binding) proposal on specified compensation and "FOR" the LaSalle adjournment proposal.

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You may revoke your proxy at any time, but only before the proxy is voted at the LaSalle special meeting, in any of three ways:

by delivering, prior to the date of the LaSalle special meeting, a written revocation of your proxy dated after the date of the proxy that is being revoked to LaSalle's Corporate Secretary at 7550 Wisconsin Avenue, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bethesda, Maryland 20814:

by delivering to LaSalle's Corporate Secretary a later-dated, duly executed proxy or by authorizing your proxy by telephone or by Internet at a date after the date of the previously authorized proxy relating to the same common shares; or

by attending the LaSalle special meeting and voting in person by ballot.

Attendance at the LaSalle special meeting will not, in itself, constitute revocation of a previously granted proxy. If you own LaSalle common shares in "street name," you may revoke or change previously granted voting instructions by following the instructions provided by the broker, bank or other nominee that is the registered owner of the shares.

No matters other than the proposals set forth above may be brought before the LaSalle special meeting.

#### Solicitation of Proxies

LaSalle will bear the cost of solicitation of proxies for the LaSalle special meeting. LaSalle has engaged Mackenzie to assist in the solicitation of proxies for a fee of approximately \$75,000 (\$30,000 of which was previously paid in connection with the solicitation of proxies with respect to the Blackstone merger agreement, which was terminated on September 6, 2018), plus an additional fee of \$100,000 upon the completion of the mergers, plus reimbursement of reasonable expenses. LaSalle has also agreed to indemnify Mackenzie Partners, Inc. against certain losses, damages and expenses. LaSalle's trustees, officers and employees also may solicit proxies by mail, personal interview, telephone, facsimile, e-mail, on the Internet or otherwise. LaSalle's trustees, officers and employees will not be paid any additional amounts for soliciting proxies. LaSalle also will request persons, firms and corporations holding shares in their names, or in the names of their nominees, that are beneficially owned by others to send or cause to be sent proxy materials to, and obtain proxies from, such beneficial owners and will reimburse such holders for their reasonable expenses in so doing.

### Adjournments

Although it is not currently expected, the LaSalle special meeting may be adjourned for the purpose of soliciting additional proxies if the holders of a sufficient number of LaSalle common shares are not present at the LaSalle special meeting, in person or by proxy, to constitute a quorum or if LaSalle believes it is reasonably likely that the merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement will not be approved at the LaSalle special meeting when convened on November 27, 2018, or when reconvened following any adjournment. Any adjournments may be made to a date not more than 120 days after the original record date without notice (other than by an announcement at the LaSalle special meeting), by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on the proposal to approve any adjournment, whether or not a quorum exists, or by the LaSalle Board for any reason (subject to certain restrictions in the merger agreement, including that the LaSalle special meeting may not be held, without Pebblebrook's consent, on a date that is more than 30 days after the date on which the LaSalle special meeting was originally scheduled).

### **Postponements**

At any time prior to convening the LaSalle special meeting, the LaSalle Board may postpone the LaSalle special meeting for any reason without the approval of LaSalle's common shareholders (subject to certain restrictions in the merger agreement, including that the LaSalle special meeting may not be held, without Pebblebrook's consent, on a date that is more than 30 days after the date on which the LaSalle special meeting was originally scheduled).

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#### PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO LASALLE SHAREHOLDERS

#### Merger Proposal

### (Proposal 1 on the LaSalle Proxy Card)

The LaSalle Board is asking LaSalle shareholders to vote on the merger proposal as contemplated by the merger agreement. For detailed information regarding this proposal, see the information about the mergers and the merger agreement throughout this joint proxy statement/prospectus, including the information set forth in the sections entitled "The Mergers" and "The Merger Agreement." A copy of the merger agreement is attached as *Annex A* to this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

Approval of the merger proposal requires the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 66<sup>2</sup>/3% of the outstanding LaSalle common shares as of the record date for the LaSalle special meeting. **If you properly authorize your proxy by mail, by telephone or through the Internet, but do not indicate instructions to vote your LaSalle common shares "FOR," "AGAINST" or "ABSTAIN" on this Proposal 1, your LaSalle common shares will be voted in accordance with the recommendation of the LaSalle Board.** Because the required vote for this proposal is based on the number of votes LaSalle shareholders are entitled to be cast rather than on the number of votes cast, failure to vote your LaSalle common shares (including failure to give voting instructions to your broker or other nominee) and abstentions will have the same effect as voting "AGAINST" the merger proposal.

Approval of this proposal is a condition to the completion of the mergers. In the event this proposal is not approved, the mergers cannot be completed.

#### Recommendation of the LaSalle Board

The LaSalle Board recommends that LaSalle common shareholders vote "FOR" the merger proposal.

LaSalle Advisory (Non-Binding) Proposal on Specified Compensation

### (Proposal 2 on the LaSalle Proxy Card)

Pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 and Rule 14a-21(c) under the Exchange Act, the LaSalle Board is asking LaSalle common shareholders to vote at the LaSalle special meeting on an advisory basis regarding the compensation that may be paid or become payable to LaSalle's named executive officers that is based on or otherwise relates to the company merger. Information intended to comply with Item 402(t) of Regulation S-K concerning this compensation, subject to certain assumptions described therein, is presented in the section entitled "The Mergers Interests of LaSalle's Trustees, Executive Officers and Employees in the Mergers Quantification of Payments and Benefits."

The LaSalle shareholder vote on executive compensation is an advisory vote only, and it is not binding on LaSalle or the LaSalle Board. Further, the underlying arrangements are contractual in nature and not, by their terms, subject to shareholder approval. Accordingly, regardless of the outcome of the advisory vote, if the company merger is completed, LaSalle's named executive officers will be eligible to receive the compensation that may be paid or become payable to LaSalle's named executive officers that is based on or otherwise relates to the company merger, in accordance with the terms and conditions applicable to such compensation. Approval of this proposal is not a condition to completion of the mergers.

The LaSalle Board is asking LaSalle shareholders to vote "FOR" the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, that LaSalle Hotel Properties' common shareholders approve, on a non-binding, advisory basis, the compensation that may be paid or become payable to the named executive officers of LaSalle Hotel Properties that is based on or otherwise relates to the company merger, as disclosed pursuant to Item 402(t) of Regulation S-K under the heading "The Mergers Interests of LaSalle's

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Trustees, Executive Officers and Employees in the Mergers Quantification of Payments and Benefits 'Golden Parachute' Compensation' beginning on page 161 of the joint proxy statement/prospectus dated [ • ], 2018 (which disclosure includes the Golden Parachute Compensation Table required pursuant to Item 402(t) of Regulation S-K)."

Adoption of the above resolution, on a non-binding, advisory basis, requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on the proposal. If you properly authorize your proxy by mail, by telephone or through the Internet, but do not indicate instructions to vote your LaSalle common shares "FOR," "AGAINST" or "ABSTAIN" on this Proposal 2, your LaSalle common shares will be voted in accordance with the recommendation of the LaSalle Board. An abstention or failure to vote on this proposal will have no effect on the approval of this proposal.

#### Recommendation of the LaSalle Board

The LaSalle Board recommends that LaSalle shareholders vote "FOR" the LaSalle advisory (non-binding) proposal on specified compensation.

#### LaSalle Adjournment Proposal

### (Proposal 3 on the LaSalle Proxy Card)

The LaSalle Board is asking LaSalle common shareholders to vote on a proposal that will give the LaSalle Board the authority to adjourn the LaSalle special meeting for the purpose of soliciting additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the LaSalle special meeting to approve the merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement.

Approval of the LaSalle adjournment proposal requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on the proposal. Approval of this proposal is not a condition to the completion of the mergers. If you properly authorize your proxy by mail, by telephone or through the Internet, but do not indicate instructions to vote your LaSalle common shares "FOR," "AGAINST" or "ABSTAIN" on this Proposal 3, your LaSalle common shares will be voted in accordance with the recommendation of the LaSalle Board. An abstention or failure to vote on this proposal will have no effect on the approval of this proposal.

In addition, even if a quorum is not present at the LaSalle special meeting, the LaSalle Board or the LaSalle shareholders by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at the LaSalle special meeting may adjourn the meeting to another place, date or time (subject to certain restrictions in the merger agreement, including that the LaSalle special meeting may not be held, without Pebblebrook's consent, on a date that is more than 30 days after the date on which the LaSalle special meeting was originally scheduled).

### Recommendation of the LaSalle Board

The LaSalle Board recommends that LaSalle shareholders vote "FOR" the LaSalle adjournment proposal.

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#### THE MERGERS

The following is a description of the material aspects of the mergers. While Pebblebrook and LaSalle believe that the following description covers the material terms of the mergers, the description may not contain all of the information that is important to Pebblebrook shareholders and LaSalle shareholders. Pebblebrook and LaSalle encourage Pebblebrook shareholders and LaSalle shareholders to carefully read this entire joint proxy statement/prospectus, including the merger agreement and the other documents attached to this joint proxy statement/prospectus and incorporated herein by reference, for a more complete understanding of the mergers.

#### **Background of the Mergers**

The following chronology summarizes the key meetings and events that led to the signing of the merger agreement. The following chronology does not purport to catalogue every conversation among the parties to the transaction, their boards of trustees, management or representatives and other parties.

Pebblebrook's executive officers have extensive experience with LaSalle and 35 of its 41 hotel properties. Mr. Bortz, Pebblebrook's President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board, founded LaSalle and was its president, chief executive officer and a trustee from its formation in 1998 until his retirement from LaSalle in 2009 and in addition served as chairman of the LaSalle Board from 2001 until his retirement from LaSalle. During Mr. Bortz's tenure at LaSalle, LaSalle purchased 22 of the 41 hotel properties LaSalle currently owns. Mr. Martz, Pebblebrook's Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and Secretary, served as LaSalle's treasurer from 2004 to 2005, vice president of finance from 2001 to 2004 and director of finance from 1998 to 2001. In addition, Pebblebrook either bid on or extensively reviewed and underwrote 12 additional LaSalle hotels, and received an offering memorandum for one other, when Pebblebrook evaluated them for purchase from third parties prior to their acquisition by LaSalle.

Given Mr. Bortz's prior experience founding and leading LaSalle, the possibility of Pebblebrook and LaSalle combining had been considered by Pebblebrook's executive officers and suggested by members of the investment community for several years, beginning as early as 2014. The possibility was suggested by certain institutional investors in meetings with Pebblebrook throughout 2017.

In October 2017, Pebblebrook management began specifically to consider the possibility of a strategic combination with LaSalle. Shortly thereafter, they spoke with representatives of Pebblebrook's financial advisor, Raymond James, about the potential combination.

On October 18 and 19, 2017, the Pebblebrook Board met for its regular quarterly meeting, at which the possibility of a strategic combination with LaSalle was considered.

Between October 2017 and January 2018, Pebblebrook management continued to analyze a potential strategic combination with LaSalle and spoke with representatives of Raymond James from time to time about such a transaction.

On January 12, 2018, the Pebblebrook Board held a meeting to discuss, among other things, a potential strategic combination with LaSalle. Members of the Pebblebrook management team and representatives of Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP, which we refer to as Hunton, Pebblebrook's outside legal counsel, were present. At this meeting, representatives of Hunton reviewed with the Pebblebrook Board its fiduciary duties under applicable law in considering Pebblebrook's strategic alternatives, including a combination with LaSalle. Pebblebrook management discussed with the Pebblebrook Board LaSalle's portfolio of properties and Pebblebrook management's preliminary financial analysis of a potential strategic combination with LaSalle, including parameters for a fixed exchange ratio based on the financial analysis discussed with the Pebblebrook Board. The Pebblebrook Board also considered various strategies for approaching LaSalle to discuss a potential strategic combination. At the conclusion of the meeting, the Pebblebrook Board authorized Pebblebrook to acquire up to 4.8% of

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the outstanding LaSalle common shares on terms approved by the Pebblebrook Board and also approved a plan in which Pebblebrook management would approach LaSalle's management to discuss a potential combination and deliver an offer letter in accordance with the valuation parameters of LaSalle considered by the Pebblebrook Board.

Beginning on January 12, 2018, and from time to time through February 21, 2018, Pebblebrook OP purchased, through its broker, Raymond James, an aggregate of 5,438,101 LaSalle common shares in open market transactions.

On February 13 and 14, 2018, the Pebblebrook Board met for its regular quarterly meeting, at which the potential combination with LaSalle was again discussed in detail, including a strategy for approaching LaSalle to discuss the potential combination. Pebblebrook management also discussed with the Pebblebrook Board its updated preliminary financial analysis of a potential combination with LaSalle, including having taken into consideration the then-current prices of Pebblebrook common shares and LaSalle common shares and Pebblebrook management's estimates of LaSalle's net asset value, as well as the status of Pebblebrook OP's purchases of LaSalle common shares. The Pebblebrook Board reiterated its support of the plan it had approved at its meeting on January 12, 2018, in which Pebblebrook management would approach LaSalle management to discuss a potential combination and deliver an offer letter in accordance with the potential valuation of LaSalle considered by the Pebblebrook Board.

The LaSalle Board, together with its management, regularly reviews and, when advisable, revises its long-term strategies and objectives in light of developments in real estate and lodging markets, capital market conditions and its business and capabilities. In the course of reviewing its long-term strategies and objectives, the LaSalle Board and management have considered various potential strategic alternatives with the goal of maximizing shareholder value, including potential acquisitions, dispositions and business combination transactions, and have recognized that LaSalle continues to face challenges as a public company. These challenges include the cyclical nature of the lodging industry and the advanced stage of the lodging industry's current economic recovery cycle, the risk of a slowdown of the economy, expected increases in interest rates which could increase the cost of debt, the increase in supply in the lodging industry which over time could drive down both hotel occupancy and room rates and the challenges of acquiring assets on an accretive basis to expand the portfolio in light of the intensely competitive environment and strong price appreciation for luxury, upper upscale and upscale hotels in LaSalle's core markets. The LaSalle Board considered the potential negative impact of such factors on the results of the operations of the lodging industry, including LaSalle, and the related downside risks in its common share price.

On February 20, 2018, LaSalle announced its results of operations for the three months and year ended December 31, 2017, including a decrease in room revenue per available room and adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization for the fourth quarter and full year 2017 as compared with the fourth quarter and full year 2016. In addition, LaSalle provided earnings guidance for the first time in two years and, based on such outlook, disclosed that the LaSalle Board expected to reduce LaSalle's quarterly dividend rate during 2018. On February 21, 2018, the closing price per LaSalle common share on the NYSE was \$25.37, which represented a 10% decline from the previous trading day's closing price of \$28.25.

On the evening of March 5, 2018, while attending the Citi 2018 Global Property CEO Conference in Hollywood, Florida, Michael D. Barnello, who serves as LaSalle's President and Chief Executive Officer and is a member of the LaSalle Board, and Mr. Bortz met for dinner at the invitation of Mr. Bortz. During this dinner, Mr. Bortz, at the direction of the Pebblebrook Board, stated that Pebblebrook was interested in a business combination with LaSalle and that he would be sending a written acquisition proposal to the LaSalle Board. Mr. Barnello responded that the LaSalle Board was always open to considering opportunities to maximize shareholder value and would review

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Pebblebrook's written proposal. Following the dinner, Mr. Barnello informed the other members of the LaSalle Board about Pebblebrook's expression of interest. Upon Mr. Bortz's retirement from LaSalle in September 2009, Mr. Barnello was appointed as its Chief Executive Officer and Stuart L. Scott was appointed Chairman of the LaSalle Board. The retirement of Mr. Bortz and the appointment of both Mr. Barnello and Mr. Scott were previously disclosed by LaSalle in its Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 14, 2009.

On March 6, 2018, the LaSalle Board met to discuss, among other things, Mr. Barnello's dinner with Mr. Bortz. Members of LaSalle management and representatives of its outside corporate securities counsel DLA Piper LLP (US), which we refer to as DLA Piper, were present. Mr. Barnello summarized for the LaSalle Board his discussion with Mr. Bortz. Representatives of DLA Piper reviewed with the LaSalle Board its fiduciary duties under applicable law. In light of the imminent written proposal from Pebblebrook, the LaSalle Board determined that it would be appropriate for LaSalle to retain outside financial advisors and additional outside legal counsel to assist the LaSalle Board in its evaluation of the Pebblebrook proposal and related matters. The LaSalle Board discussed that management, in consultation with several members of the LaSalle Board, had contacted financial and legal advisor candidates, including Citigroup Global Markets Inc., which we refer to as Citi, and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC, which we refer to as Goldman Sachs, as financial advisors, and Goodwin Procter LLP, which we refer to as Goodwin, as additional outside legal counsel. The LaSalle Board authorized management to continue discussions with representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs regarding their candidacy to serve as financial advisors. The LaSalle Board considered Citi as a potential investment banking firm candidate to assist and advise the LaSalle Board because of Citi's qualifications, experience and reputation, long-standing relationship with LaSalle (serving as an underwriter in its equity offerings and as a lender under its credit facility and term loans) and substantial knowledge of the lodging REIT industry. The LaSalle Board considered Goldman Sachs as a potential investment banking firm candidate to assist and advise the LaSalle Board because of Goldman Sachs' qualifications, experience and reputation, its knowledge of the lodging REIT industry and its involvement in recent transactions in the REIT industry and its experience with shareholder activism and acquisition transactions generally.

Later on March 6, 2018, Messrs. Scott and Barnello received a letter from Mr. Bortz on behalf of Pebblebrook, which we refer to as the March 6 letter, and the proposal set forth therein as the March 6 proposal. The March 6 letter stated that Pebblebrook had believed for several years that there would be tremendous benefits from merging the two companies. The March 6 letter proposed an all-stock business combination of LaSalle and Pebblebrook at an implied price of \$30.00 per share for 100% of outstanding LaSalle common shares based on a 10-day volume weighted average price of Pebblebrook common shares ending on March 5, 2018, paid in Pebblebrook common shares utilizing a fixed exchange ratio of 0.8655 Pebblebrook common shares for each LaSalle common share. The letter stated that the proposal represented a premium of 17.5% to current price per LaSalle common share. The letter also stated that Pebblebrook had accumulated a 4.8% ownership position in LaSalle common shares through open market purchases and proposed that the companies enter into a mutual exclusivity agreement for a mutually agreed duration. The letter also indicated that certain of LaSalle's trustees (who were not named) would join the board of trustees of the proposed combined company and that Pebblebrook's executive management team would lead the proposed combined company. In the letter, Pebblebrook requested a response from LaSalle by March 16, 2018. The March 6 letter was circulated to the LaSalle Board. On March 6, 2018, the closing price per LaSalle common share on the NYSE was \$25.39.

On March 6, 2018, Mr. Bortz spoke with representatives of BAML about BAML advising Pebblebrook in connection with the proposed transaction.

On March 7, 2018, the LaSalle Board met to discuss, among other things, Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. Members of LaSalle management and representatives of DLA Piper were present. The

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LaSalle Board reviewed the terms and conditions of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. In reviewing Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal, the LaSalle Board considered, among other things, that the Pebblebrook common shares being offered as consideration could fluctuate (positively or negatively) prior to the closing of the transaction, and that the proposal therefore lacked the price certainty of a cash proposal or a proposal with a meaningful cash component or a pricing collar or similar type of pricing protection mechanism. The LaSalle Board also discussed its concerns that Pebblebrook common shares trade at a significantly higher EBITDA multiple as compared to other publicly-traded lodging REITs and whether this would continue in the future. The LaSalle Board also discussed that Pebblebrook had acquired a 4.8% ownership position in LaSalle common shares and that there was significant turnover in LaSalle's shareholder base following LaSalle's announcement of financial results on February 20, 2018. After discussion, the LaSalle Board determined that it should further review Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal and any potential response to Pebblebrook in the context of LaSalle's standalone plan.

Mr. Barnello also updated the LaSalle Board on his recent discussions with representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs and Goodwin. The LaSalle Board determined that it would be appropriate for LaSalle to retain these financial and legal advisors to assist the LaSalle Board in its evaluation of the financial and legal aspects of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal, respectively, any response thereto and related matters. The LaSalle Board authorized management to negotiate engagement letters with each of Citi and Goldman Sachs, subject to confirmation by the LaSalle Board that Citi and Goldman Sachs, respectively, did not have any engagements that would interfere with the ability of Citi and Goldman Sachs to serve as LaSalle's financial advisors. The LaSalle Board also determined that all communications by LaSalle with Pebblebrook regarding its March 6 proposal would be made solely through Mr. Barnello, so that LaSalle communicated with one voice.

Also at the meeting, the LaSalle Board established an advisory transaction committee, which we refer to as the LaSalle transaction committee, to assist the LaSalle Board, in between board meetings, in considering the Pebblebrook proposal and the range of alternative actions available to LaSalle, including discussing such matters with Mr. Barnello. Mr. Scott, Jeffery T. Foland and Darryl Hartley-Leonard, all of whom are non-management, independent trustees and have significant experience with acquisition transactions, were appointed to the LaSalle transaction committee. Throughout the LaSalle transaction committee's evaluation of Pebblebrook's proposals and a potential sale of LaSalle, the LaSalle transaction committee conducted formal meetings, but its members were also in regular informal communication with Mr. Barnello, representatives of LaSalle's financial and legal advisors and with each other. In addition, the LaSalle transaction committee, as well as the LaSalle Board, frequently met in executive session with only the independent trustees and, on certain occasions, representatives of Goodwin and DLA Piper present.

Later in the week of March 5, 2018, LaSalle engaged Goodwin to act as additional outside legal counsel to the LaSalle Board. In the following weeks, representatives of Goodwin and DLA Piper reviewed the LaSalle Board's duties under the circumstances and representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs reviewed various preliminary financial analyses with the LaSalle Board and the LaSalle transaction committee to assist the LaSalle Board and the LaSalle transaction committee in evaluating Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal and to prepare for a potential public disclosure of the proposal by Pebblebrook.

On March 8, 2018, Mr. Bortz sent an email to Mr. Scott and indicated that he would be interested in discussing Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal with Mr. Scott. Consistent with the LaSalle Board's determination on March 7, 2018, Mr. Scott replied that all communications between the companies on this topic should be made through Mr. Barnello.

On March 12, 2018, the LaSalle Board met to discuss, among other things, Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. Members of LaSalle management and representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs, Goodwin and

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DLA Piper were present. Representatives of Goodwin provided the LaSalle Board with an overview of their fiduciary duties under applicable law and applied these principles to considering Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. Representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs reviewed with the LaSalle Board their preliminary financial analyses of certain financial aspects of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal based in part on publicly-available Wall Street research consensus estimates of LaSalle's and Pebblebrook's financial prospects. Representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs also provided an update on lodging industry fundamentals and an update on trading performance in the lodging REIT sector. In response to questions from the LaSalle Board about Citi's and Goldman Sachs' relationships with Pebblebrook, representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs responded in such a manner that satisfied the LaSalle Board in determining that any such relationships would not interfere with either Citi's or Goldman Sachs' ability to serve as a financial advisor to LaSalle, subject to review by the LaSalle Board of customary written relationships disclosure regarding Pebblebrook.

The LaSalle Board discussed the implications of the unsolicited nature of Pebblebrook's proposal, its acquisition of 4.8% of the outstanding LaSalle common shares and the potential courses of action that Pebblebrook might pursue, including publicly disclosing its unsolicited proposal for an acquisition of LaSalle. The LaSalle Board discussed that if Pebblebrook's proposal became public, LaSalle could receive additional acquisition offers.

Following discussion of these topics with management and consultation with representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs, Goodwin and DLA Piper, the LaSalle Board noted that LaSalle had an existing 2018 budget which included forecasts for the year ending December 31, 2018 and directed management to prepare a five-year standalone plan for consideration in connection with Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal and any other strategic alternatives to be considered by the LaSalle Board. The LaSalle Board decided to meet to discuss these topics in further detail on March 20, 2018. The LaSalle Board also directed Goodwin to request that each of Citi and Goldman Sachs provide to the LaSalle Board its customary written relationships disclosure letter regarding Pebblebrook.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the independent board members participating in the meeting met in executive session with Goodwin and DLA Piper to further discuss Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal and potential strategic alternatives available to LaSalle.

On March 16, 2018, at the direction of the LaSalle Board, representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs contacted representatives of Raymond James, and indicated that LaSalle had received the March 6 letter and would respond to Pebblebrook in due course.

On March 19, 2018, representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs, as instructed by the LaSalle Board, confirmed to representatives of Raymond James that LaSalle was carefully reviewing the merits of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal in consultation with representatives of its financial and legal advisors and would respond in due course.

On March 20, 2018, the LaSalle Board met to discuss further Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal and LaSalle's standalone plan. Members of LaSalle management and representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs, Goodwin and DLA Piper were present. Representatives of Goodwin provided the LaSalle Board with an overview of their fiduciary duties under applicable law and the application of those principles to Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. LaSalle management discussed with the LaSalle Board LaSalle's standalone plan developed at the direction of the LaSalle Board, which included management's forecasts for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2018 through December 31, 2022, and the underlying assumptions to these forecasts. The LaSalle Board discussed the risks, challenges and strategic opportunities facing LaSalle in the context of reviewing management's forecasts. Following discussion and questions of management about the assumptions on which the plan was based, the LaSalle Board approved management's forecasts for use by Citi and Goldman Sachs.

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The LaSalle Board then considered the option of LaSalle continuing as an independent public company and discussed the expected performance of LaSalle in the future. The LaSalle Board discussed the increase in supply and competition in LaSalle's markets and the expected future negative impact on hotel occupancy and room rates. The LaSalle Board also discussed current lodging REIT valuations and LaSalle's common share price as compared to the valuation proposed in Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. The LaSalle Board reviewed the current macro-environment, the current performance of the REIT industry and lodging REIT sector in particular and observations regarding the perception of LaSalle and Pebblebrook in the investment community.

The LaSalle Board, with the assistance of LaSalle management and in consultation with representatives of the LaSalle Board's financial and legal advisors, discussed other strategic alternatives available to LaSalle that could potentially enhance shareholder value, including whether to continue to execute the long-term plan as a standalone company, accelerate the return of capital to shareholders and pursue hotel acquisitions and dispositions, or whether to engage in a process to explore interest in a potential sale of LaSalle (with both strategic and financial buyers).

The LaSalle Board, with the assistance of LaSalle management and in consultation with representatives of the financial and legal advisors, also further discussed Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal, including Pebblebrook's financial prospects based on Pebblebrook's public guidance for 2018 at the time, Wall Street research consensus estimates and management's forecasts, as well as recent trading prices of Pebblebrook common shares, and the implied value of the share consideration proposed by Pebblebrook. The LaSalle Board and management reviewed the possibility of a business combination with Pebblebrook, including the geographical markets in which LaSalle and Pebblebrook own properties, long-term growth, short- and long-term financial benefits, views of the strengths and weaknesses of both companies and other factors. The LaSalle Board also discussed potential risks regarding the use of Pebblebrook common shares as consideration to be received by LaSalle shareholders, including that Pebblebrook common shares traded at prices between \$27.01 and \$39.74 over the previous 12 months, Pebblebrook's common shares trade at a significantly higher EBITDA multiple as compared to other publicly-traded lodging REITs and whether this would continue in the future, and the inherent risk associated with a potential decline in the trading price of Pebblebrook common shares before the closing of a potential transaction. The LaSalle Board also considered that Pebblebrook would be the ultimate surviving entity in the proposed combination, and that LaSalle shareholders would own approximately 57% of the combined company. The LaSalle Board also considered that Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal contemplated that, while a majority of the combined company would be owned by LaSalle shareholders, Pebblebrook trustees elected by Pebblebrook shareholders would likely constitute a majority of the board of trustees of the proposed combined company. Following these discussions, the LaSalle Board reviewed various potential paths forward to maximize value for shareholders and determined that, given the potential risks associated with Pebblebrook's common share consideration, it would not be in the best interests of shareholders to engage in discussions with Pebblebrook at that time. The LaSalle Board authorized and directed LaSalle management and representatives of its advisors to contact Pebblebrook and its advisors to express its determination.

The LaSalle Board also discussed potential disruptions to LaSalle's business (including the potential loss of business partners, customers and employees) as a result of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal, including if it were to be publicly disclosed. In this regard, representatives of Goodwin and DLA Piper discussed with the LaSalle Board that the consummation of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal (which provided that Pebblebrook trustees would likely constitute a majority of the board of trustees of the proposed combined company) would be considered a change in control under the severance agreements with LaSalle's senior officers (which are summarized under the section entitled " Interests of LaSalle's Trustees, Executive Officers and Employees in the Mergers Change in Control Severance Agreements" beginning on page 157) and that if LaSalle's senior officers were

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terminated in connection with the proposed transaction, then they would be entitled to the severance payments and benefits under the applicable severance agreements and vesting of their equity awards. Representatives of Goodwin and DLA Piper also reviewed with the LaSalle Board that LaSalle's employees, other than LaSalle's senior officers, would not be provided with similar severance payments and benefits in the event they were terminated in connection with the consummation of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. Following this discussion, the LaSalle Board approved a cash retention bonus plan for certain of LaSalle's employees, other than its senior officers (which is summarized under the section entitled " Interests of LaSalle's Trustees, Executive Officers and Employees in the Mergers Payment of Employee Bonuses" beginning on page 158).

Later on March 20, 2018, Messrs. Scott and Barnello received a letter from Mr. Bortz, which we refer to as the March 20 letter, stating that Pebblebrook had not received a response to its March 6 proposal, other than the courtesy call from representatives of LaSalle's financial advisors to representatives of Raymond James on March 16, 2018, and reiterating Pebblebrook's interest in pursuing a merger with LaSalle. The March 20 letter was circulated to the LaSalle Board that evening.

On March 21, 2018, as directed by the LaSalle Board, representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs informed representatives of Raymond James that the LaSalle Board would provide a response to Pebblebrook's March 6 letter on March 22, 2018.

On March 21, 2018, the LaSalle Board met to discuss, among other things, Pebblebrook's March 20 letter. Members of LaSalle's management and representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs, Goodwin and DLA Piper were present. Mr. Barnello reviewed with the LaSalle Board Pebblebrook's March 20 letter and a proposed response letter to Pebblebrook's March 6 letter based on the LaSalle Board's discussions at its meeting on March 20, 2018. Mr. Barnello also reviewed with the LaSalle Board the proposed communications plans that LaSalle management had prepared with the assistance of the LaSalle Board's advisors to respond to a public disclosure of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. The LaSalle Board directed Mr. Barnello to send the proposed response letter to Pebblebrook and representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs to contact representatives of Raymond James to express the determination made by the LaSalle Board at its meeting on March 20, 2018 and summarized in the proposed response letter.

On March 22, 2018, in accordance with the direction from the LaSalle Board, Messrs. Scott and Barnello sent the response letter to Mr. Bortz, which stated that after careful consideration the LaSalle Board had unanimously determined that Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal was insufficient from both price and mix of consideration perspectives and was therefore not in the best interests of LaSalle shareholders.

On March 22, 2018, Mr. Barnello received an unsolicited call from a representative of an affiliate of The Blackstone Group L.P., which we refer to as Blackstone, who indicated that in the course of Blackstone's regular review of public companies in the REIT industry, Blackstone noticed an apparent dislocation of LaSalle's share price to its net asset value. The representative of Blackstone indicated that Blackstone would be interested in discussing a potential strategic transaction with LaSalle if there was mutual interest from the LaSalle Board. Mr. Barnello responded that the LaSalle Board was always open to considering opportunities to maximize shareholder value and that he would inform the LaSalle Board of this conversation.

On March 23 and March 24, 2018, as directed by the LaSalle Board, representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs had discussions with representatives of Raymond James regarding Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal and LaSalle's response. During these discussions, at the direction of the Pebblebrook Board, representatives of Raymond James requested that the senior management teams and financial advisors of the respective companies have an in-person meeting to discuss Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. Representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs, at the direction of the LaSalle transaction

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committee and management, responded that LaSalle did not believe it would be appropriate to hold an in-person meeting at that time.

On March 24, 2018, the Pebblebrook Board held a meeting to discuss, among other things, the potential combination with LaSalle and LaSalle's response to Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. Members of the Pebblebrook management team and representatives of Hunton and Raymond James were present. Pebblebrook management discussed with the Pebblebrook Board various preliminary financial analyses with respect to a potential combination with LaSalle. The Pebblebrook Board also considered various strategies for responding to LaSalle. Following discussion, the Pebblebrook Board authorized Pebblebrook to make public its offer to acquire LaSalle.

On March 25, 2018, the LaSalle Board met to discuss, among other things, the interactions with Pebblebrook. Members of LaSalle's management and representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs, Goodwin and DLA Piper were present. Mr. Barnello and representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs updated the LaSalle Board on the recent discussions with representatives of Raymond James. Mr. Barnello reviewed with the LaSalle Board the current communications plan prepared by LaSalle's management with the assistance of its advisors in the event that Pebblebrook's proposal became public. Representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs reviewed with the LaSalle Board certain preliminary financial analyses of both LaSalle and Pebblebrook. The LaSalle Board also adopted a dividend policy for the remaining quarters of 2018. Mr. Barnello also apprised the LaSalle Board of his conversation with Blackstone.

On March 28, 2018, prior to the opening of trading on the NYSE, Pebblebrook issued a press release disclosing its March 6 letter and March 20 letter, as well as LaSalle's March 22 letter. On March 27, 2018, the closing price per LaSalle common share on the NYSE was \$24.84, which was the last closing price prior to the public announcement of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal.

Subsequently on March 28, 2018, LaSalle issued a press release confirming that the LaSalle Board had unanimously rejected Pebblebrook's unsolicited proposal, and providing its rationale for doing so. The press release also indicated that the LaSalle Board continued to be open-minded and would consider any alternatives that enhance long-term shareholder value. LaSalle also announced its dividend policy for the remaining quarters of 2018, stating that LaSalle expected to pay a quarterly dividend of \$0.225 per LaSalle common share for each of the quarters ending June 30, 2018, September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2018. The amount of the announced quarterly dividend was a 50% reduction from the amount of the quarterly dividend LaSalle had been paying per LaSalle common share since July 15, 2015.

Also on March 28 and March 29, 2018, respectively, representatives of Goldman Sachs and Citi each received calls from a representative of Blackstone expressing Blackstone's possible interest in acquiring LaSalle. The representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs indicated to Blackstone's representatives that they would inform LaSalle of Blackstone's possible interest.

Beginning on March 28, 2018, in light of the public announcement of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal, LaSalle and representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs received unsolicited correspondence from potentially interested financial sponsors and strategic parties. During that time LaSalle also received correspondence from certain LaSalle shareholders holding individually in the range of 3.0% to 9.1% of the outstanding LaSalle common shares, including HG Vora Capital Management, LLC and certain affiliated investment funds, which we refer to, collectively, as HG Vora, which filed a Schedule 13D on April 2, 2018. During that time through May 20, 2018, LaSalle's management, at the direction of, and in consultation with the LaSalle Board and the LaSalle transaction committee, and with the assistance of LaSalle's financial and legal advisors, held discussions with certain of these LaSalle shareholders. During these discussions, several LaSalle shareholders indicated that they expected the LaSalle Board would independently evaluate all available options to maximize shareholder value, including any proposals received from Pebblebrook.

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Later on March 28, 2018, the LaSalle Board held a meeting to discuss, among other things, the public announcement of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. Members of LaSalle's management and representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs, Goodwin and DLA Piper were present. The LaSalle Board discussed, in consultation with representatives of its financial and legal advisors, the impact on LaSalle's business of the public announcement of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal and LaSalle's public response. Mr. Barnello and representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs also updated the LaSalle Board regarding unsolicited correspondence they had received from other potentially interested financial and strategic parties and LaSalle shareholders in light of the public announcement of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. Following these discussions, the LaSalle Board concluded that, in light of recent events and the issues and topics discussed at prior board meetings, the LaSalle Board should consider at a subsequent meeting the process for exploration of a potential sale of LaSalle.

On April 3, 2018, Mr. Barnello received a call from a representative of Blackstone, during which the representative of Blackstone expressed Blackstone's interest in acquiring LaSalle in an all-cash transaction in the range of \$28.00 to \$30.00 per share. Mr. Barnello said that he would inform the LaSalle Board of Blackstone's interest. On April 3, 2018, the closing price per LaSalle common share on the NYSE was \$29.59.

On April 3, 2018, the LaSalle Board met to discuss, among other things, the exploration of a potential sale of LaSalle. Members of LaSalle management and representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs, Goodwin and DLA Piper were present. Mr. Barnello apprised the LaSalle Board of his discussion with Blackstone. The representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs reviewed potential strategic parties, financial sponsors and brand management companies who might have an interest in acquiring LaSalle. The LaSalle Board discussed the potential risks and benefits of commencing a process in which parties would be invited to review confidential information and submit indications of interest with respect to a potential acquisition of LaSalle. In particular, the LaSalle Board discussed the potential disruptions to LaSalle's business during a protracted process, the risk of leaks about the process that might arise from contacting other parties, and the potential impact of such leaks on LaSalle's business, including the potential loss of business partners, customers and employees. The LaSalle Board also discussed the potential need to disclose proprietary and confidential information to current and potential competitors during such process. The LaSalle Board also considered the risks and challenges in conducting a strategic process in light of Pebblebrook's publicly disclosed March 6 proposal to acquire LaSalle.

Based on the benefits and risks discussed at this meeting and the previous meetings of the LaSalle Board and the LaSalle transaction committee, the LaSalle Board determined, based on its knowledge of the lodging REIT industry and LaSalle, its discussions with representatives of the financial and legal advisors and the strategic alternatives potentially available to LaSalle, including pursuing a business combination with Pebblebrook and remaining as an independent public company, that it was in the best interests of LaSalle shareholders to take steps to further explore a potential sale of LaSalle.

Following this discussion, representatives of Goodwin reviewed with the LaSalle Board its fiduciary duties under applicable law, particularly in the context of exploring a possible sale of LaSalle. Representatives of Goodwin also discussed the role of the LaSalle Board in overseeing the strategic review process and ways for doing so, including evaluating potentially forming a special committee consisting solely of independent and disinterested trustees of the LaSalle Board as well as LaSalle's management being restricted from having discussions with financial sponsors regarding their future roles, compensation, retention or investment arrangements in connection with a proposed transaction. After discussion with Goodwin, the LaSalle Board determined that given the facts and circumstances of the situation a special committee was not necessary, but that during the strategic review process the independent trustees of the LaSalle Board would continue their practice of holding executive sessions and, at the invitation of the independent trustees, representatives of the financial advisors and outside legal counsel would participate in those sessions. The LaSalle Board and members of LaSalle's management then discussed the role of LaSalle's management in the strategic process. They agreed

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that, except as otherwise instructed by the LaSalle Board, management would not engage in discussions regarding any compensation, retention or investment arrangements with bidders so as to avoid any potential conflict or concern of favoring any one bidder over other bidders.

At the meeting, with input from representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs and members of management, the LaSalle Board discussed the types of potential acquirers (strategic, financial and brand management) that might be interested in participating in a formal sale process for LaSalle. The LaSalle Board considered various factors concerning such potential acquirers including, among other things, experience in executing public mergers and/or acquisitions or purchases of significant real estate portfolios, financial ability to pay and capacity to execute a transaction of this size, experience in the lodging REIT industry, potential interest in acquiring LaSalle and confidentiality and competitive concerns.

Also at the meeting, the LaSalle Board discussed the customary written relationships disclosure provided by each of Citi and Goldman Sachs at the request of the LaSalle Board and distributed to the LaSalle Board prior to the April 3 meeting. After discussion, including with Goodwin, the LaSalle Board determined that those relationships would not interfere with either Citi's or Goldman Sachs' ability to serve as a financial advisor to LaSalle. As part of this discussion, Goodwin outlined the material terms of the proposed engagements of each of Citi and Goldman Sachs. Following this discussion, the LaSalle Board determined to engage both Citi and Goldman Sachs as its financial advisors to assist the LaSalle Board in its evaluation of strategic alternatives, including with respect to proposals from Pebblebrook.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the independent trustees participating in the meeting met in executive session with Goodwin and DLA Piper to further discuss the strategic process.

From April 5 through April 17, 2018, at the direction of the LaSalle Board, representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs together contacted 20 parties (six strategic parties (including Pebblebrook), nine financial sponsors (including Blackstone) and five brand management companies), that satisfied the criteria discussed and approved by the LaSalle Board at the April 3, 2018 meeting, to participate in a formal sale process for LaSalle. Ten of these parties (including Blackstone and Pebblebrook) entered into confidentiality agreements with LaSalle. These ten parties consisted of three strategic parties, six financial sponsors and one brand management company. Blackstone's confidentiality agreement was entered into on April 10, 2018, and contained standstill obligations that expire on May 9, 2019. All of these other confidentiality agreements (other than Pebblebrook's confidentiality agreement, which is discussed below) contained standstill obligations of various lengths, the shortest of which expires on January 18, 2019. Additionally, all of these standstill obligations either automatically terminated upon LaSalle's announcement of execution of a definitive agreement with a third party to effect the sale of LaSalle, or allowed the bidder to make confidential proposals to LaSalle at any time following LaSalle's announcement of execution of a definitive agreement with a third party to effect the sale of LaSalle. Bidders that entered into a confidentiality agreement with LaSalle were provided access to an online data room containing nonpublic information regarding LaSalle and its properties. Additionally, each such bidder was invited to attend a high-level management presentation conducted by members of LaSalle management. The ten parties that did not enter into a confidentiality agreement with LaSalle indicated that they were not interested in pursuing a transaction with LaSalle at that time. Pebblebrook's confidentiality agreement was entered into on May 5, 2018, as discussed below.

On April 5, 2018, a draft mutual confidentiality agreement was distributed on behalf of LaSalle to representatives of Raymond James. LaSalle's draft confidentiality agreement provided for, among other things, (i) a standstill provision which prohibited LaSalle or Pebblebrook, as applicable, from taking various actions including making a proposal to acquire the other party until the earlier of 18 months after the execution of the confidentiality agreement or the public announcement by the other party of its execution of a definitive agreement to effect a sale of LaSalle, which we refer to as the standstill provision, (ii) a prohibition from making a public announcement or disclosure of a proposal to acquire

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the other party, which we refer to as the public acquisition proposal prohibition, and (iii) a prohibition from making any public announcement or disclosure concerning the discussions or negotiations taking place between LaSalle and Pebblebrook or any proposed terms being discussed, which we refer to as the public disclosure prohibition.

On April 6, 2018, LaSalle executed engagement letters with Citi and Goldman Sachs, respectively, as the LaSalle Board authorized during the April 3, 2018 meeting.

On April 6, 2018, at the direction of the LaSalle transaction committee, representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs had discussions with representatives of Raymond James and BAML regarding the proposed mutual confidentiality agreement. During these discussions, at the direction of Pebblebrook management, representatives of Pebblebrook's financial advisors indicated that Pebblebrook would not enter into a confidentiality agreement with standstill obligations without first receiving adequate assurance that Pebblebrook would be provided the same access to diligence materials and given the same opportunities to participate in LaSalle's sale process as the other potential bidders in the process. Per their earlier discussions with the LaSalle transaction committee, representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs stated that Pebblebrook would be provided access to the same diligence information and be given the same opportunities to participate in LaSalle's sale process as the other bidders in the process.

On April 9, 2018, representatives of Hunton sent to representatives of Goodwin a revised draft of the mutual confidentiality agreement which, among other things, (i) reduced the period of the proposed standstill provision from 18 months to three months, (ii) allowed Pebblebrook publicly to disclose its acquisition proposals and (iii) deleted the public disclosure prohibition.

On April 10, 2018, at the direction of the LaSalle transaction committee, representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs and Goodwin had a discussion with representatives of Pebblebrook's financial and legal advisors to discuss the draft mutual confidentiality agreement. At the direction of the LaSalle transaction committee, representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs indicated that LaSalle was conducting a formal sale process in an attempt to maximize value for LaSalle shareholders and that other potentially interested parties would not participate in the sale process if Pebblebrook were invited to participate in the sale process without being restricted from making public acquisition proposals or public announcements about the process and its discussions with LaSalle.

On April 13, 2018, the Pebblebrook Board held a meeting to discuss, among other things, the potential combination with LaSalle. Members of the Pebblebrook management team and representatives of Hunton, Raymond James and BAML were present. Representatives of Hunton reviewed with the Pebblebrook Board its fiduciary duties under applicable law. Pebblebrook management reviewed with the Pebblebrook Board various financial aspects of the potential combination, including whether to include cash consideration as a portion of the proposed merger consideration and various financing options to fund such cash consideration. Following discussion, the Pebblebrook Board authorized Pebblebrook management to increase the fixed exchange ratio to 0.8944 Pebblebrook common share for each LaSalle common share and to revise the proposal so as to permit LaSalle shareholders to elect to receive cash for up to a maximum of 15% of the aggregate merger consideration along with the other terms set forth in the April 13 letter described below.

Beginning on April 13, 2018, each of the bidders that had entered into a confidentiality agreement with LaSalle as of that date was provided access to an online data room containing nonpublic information regarding LaSalle and its properties.

At approximately 9:00 p.m. on April 13, 2018, Mr. Bortz, on behalf of Pebblebrook and as authorized by the Pebblebrook Board, sent a letter to the LaSalle Board, which we refer to as the April 13 letter, and the proposal set forth therein as the April 13 proposal. The April 13 letter stated that Pebblebrook remained committed to a merger of the two companies and provided a revised proposal with respect to merger consideration.

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The April 13 proposal provided for a fixed exchange ratio of 0.8944 Pebblebrook common share for each LaSalle common share. The 0.8944 exchange ratio provided in the April 13 proposal represented a 3.3% increase to the 0.8655 exchange ratio provided in Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. According to the April 13 letter, the April 13 proposal resulted in an implied price of \$31.75 per share for 100% of the outstanding LaSalle common shares based on the closing price per Pebblebrook common share on the NYSE of \$35.50 on April 13, 2018. The April 13 letter also stated that LaSalle shareholders would be provided with the option to elect to receive cash up to a maximum of 15% in aggregate merger consideration, subject to proration. The April 13 letter indicated that the proposal was not subject to a financing condition. The April 13 letter stated that, with LaSalle's full cooperation, Pebblebrook believed that the companies could sign a definitive merger agreement within ten business days. The letter also included a summary of certain proposed key terms which included: an exclusivity period of ten business days; a 30-day go-shop period during which LaSalle could solicit alternative proposals; a break-up fee of 1.25% of equity value during the go-shop period and 3.25% of equity value after the go-shop period; Pebblebrook executives would manage the combined company; and a seven-member board of trustees (three independent trustees from each company and Mr. Bortz) would govern the combined company. In the letter, Pebblebrook requested a response from LaSalle by April 15, 2018. Mr. Barnello sent the April 13 letter to the LaSalle Board. On April 13, 2018, the closing price per LaSalle common share on the NYSE was \$29.94.

On April 14, 2018, following discussions with the LaSalle transaction committee, Mr. Barnello contacted Mr. Bortz to schedule a time to have a discussion the next day regarding the following:

LaSalle was open to Pebblebrook's request for a meeting, and that Messrs. Barnello, Scott and Foland were available to meet with Pebblebrook's representatives on Tuesday morning, April 17, 2018, in New York City;

LaSalle wanted Pebblebrook to enter into a mutual confidentiality agreement in order for Pebblebrook to participate in LaSalle's sale process, and that representatives of Goodwin would be sending representatives of Hunton another revised draft of the mutual confidentiality agreement shortly; and

Pebblebrook's April 13 proposal was shared with the LaSalle Board and that the LaSalle Board would evaluate the proposal.

Later on April 14, 2018, representatives of Goodwin sent to representatives of Hunton a revised draft of the mutual confidentiality agreement as indicated by Mr. Barnello's earlier communication to Mr. Bortz. LaSalle's revised draft confidentiality agreement provided for, among other things, (i) the standstill provision with the three-month term proposed by Pebblebrook in its April 9 revised draft of the confidentiality agreement, (ii) the public acquisition proposal prohibition and (iii) the public disclosure prohibition.

On April 15, 2018, Mr. Barnello called Mr. Bortz and indicated that the LaSalle Board had received Pebblebrook's April 13 proposal and was evaluating it. Mr. Barnello also indicated that LaSalle was willing to have a meeting as Pebblebrook requested and that LaSalle had proposed a revised mutual confidentiality agreement with the standstill provision for a reduced period of three months, consistent with Pebblebrook's original proposal, in order to facilitate Pebblebrook's participation in LaSalle's sale process. Mr. Barnello also offered to schedule a meeting among Mr. Bortz and certain members of the LaSalle Board, including Mr. Scott, on April 17, 2018, contingent on Pebblebrook not publicly disclosing its April 13 letter, and preferably after execution of a mutual confidentiality agreement. Mr. Bortz responded that Pebblebrook was not interested in entering into a mutual confidentiality agreement with LaSalle. Mr. Bortz also indicated that he could not attend a meeting on the date Mr. Barnello proposed because the Pebblebrook Board would be conducting its regular quarterly meeting on that date. Neither Mr. Bortz nor Mr. Barnello proposed an alternative

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date. Mr. Bortz also indicated that it would not be appropriate for him to say whether or not Pebblebrook was going to publicly release its April 13 letter.

Later on April 15, 2018, the LaSalle Board held a meeting to discuss, among other things, Pebblebrook's April 13 proposal and the strategic process. Members of LaSalle's management and representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs, Goodwin and DLA Piper were present. Mr. Barnello updated the LaSalle Board on his discussion with Mr. Bortz. Representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs updated the LaSalle Board on their discussions with representatives of Pebblebrook's financial advisors. Representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs also reviewed with the LaSalle Board certain financial aspects of Pebblebrook's April 13 proposal and certain financial aspects of Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal. Representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs also updated the LaSalle Board on the initial stages of the strategic process completed to date, noting the parties that remained interested in engaging in discussions regarding a possible acquisition of LaSalle, their diligence efforts to date and expressed levels of interest. The LaSalle Board discussed the possibility that Pebblebrook could publicly disclose its April 13 proposal and the impact that would have on the strategic process. The LaSalle Board also discussed recent discussions and correspondence with certain LaSalle shareholders.

On April 16, 2018, prior to the opening of trading on the NYSE, Pebblebrook issued a press release disclosing its April 13 letter.

Subsequently on April 16, 2018, LaSalle issued a press release confirming that the LaSalle Board was reviewing Pebblebrook's April 13 proposal.

On April 17, 2018, Bloomberg published an article speculating as to a potential sale of LaSalle, with Blackstone listed as an interested suitor. After discussing the Bloomberg article with representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs and Goodwin, Mr. Barnello contacted members of the LaSalle Board to update them on this development. Prior to the publication of this article, on April 16, 2018, LaSalle's common share closing price on the NYSE was \$30.71.

On the evening of April 17, 2018, before the Pebblebrook Board met for its regular quarterly meeting the next day, the Pebblebrook Board, members of Pebblebrook management and representatives of Hunton met and discussed in detail the potential combination with LaSalle. The discussion included, among other things, the possibility of Pebblebrook further increasing the financial terms of its offer to acquire LaSalle and inviting LaSalle to conduct due diligence with respect to Pebblebrook.

On April 18, 2018, the Pebblebrook Board held its regular quarterly meeting. At this meeting, Pebblebrook management reviewed, among other things, certain financial aspects of Pebblebrook, LaSalle and Pebblebrook's potential combination with LaSalle. The Pebblebrook Board also discussed increasing the fixed exchange ratio and the aggregate amount of cash consideration in connection with making a revised offer to acquire LaSalle. The Pebblebrook Board also approved the engagement of each of Raymond James and BAML. Before doing so, Hunton reviewed with the Pebblebrook Board the contents of customary written relationships disclosure letters regarding LaSalle from each of Raymond James and BAML, which satisfied the Pebblebrook Board that there were not any relationships that would reasonably be expected to interfere with either Raymond James' or BAML's ability to serve as a financial advisor to Pebblebrook. Raymond James and BAML were engaged by Pebblebrook because of their respective qualifications, experience and reputation, long-standing relationship with Pebblebrook and substantial knowledge of the lodging REIT industry. BAML was also engaged to assist Pebblebrook in obtaining financing to fund any cash consideration that would be payable in a combination with LaSalle.

Between April 18, 2018 and April 21, 2018, an initial bid instruction letter was distributed on behalf of LaSalle to each of the nine potential bidders that had entered into confidentiality agreements with LaSalle prior to April 21, 2018 (including Blackstone). The letter indicated a deadline for submitting preliminary non-binding indications of interest by May 4, 2018. Because Pebblebrook had

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not entered into a confidentiality agreement with LaSalle at that time, it did not receive an initial bid instruction letter.

On April 19, 2018, Mr. Bortz corresponded with the Pebblebrook Board regarding making another merger offer to LaSalle, to be characterized as a best and final offer, on the terms previously discussed with the Pebblebrook Board. The Pebblebrook Board approved the terms of the April 20 proposal described below, including an increase to the aggregate amount of the cash consideration from 15% to 20% and an increase to the fixed exchange ratio from 0.8944 to 0.9085 Pebblebrook common share for each LaSalle common share.

Later on April 19, 2018, as authorized by the Pebblebrook Board, Mr. Bortz sent a letter to the LaSalle Board in which Pebblebrook proposed that LaSalle conduct a due diligence review of Pebblebrook to better understand Pebblebrook's business and evaluate Pebblebrook's April 13 proposal. Pebblebrook proposed that LaSalle enter into a unilateral confidentiality agreement obligating LaSalle to maintain the confidentiality and nonuse of Pebblebrook's nonpublic information, and enclosed a copy of a proposed confidentiality agreement. In the letter, Pebblebrook stated that it did not require that LaSalle provide it with any information under the proposed unilateral confidentiality agreement.

On April 20, 2018, Mr. Bortz, on behalf of Pebblebrook and as authorized by the Pebblebrook Board, sent a letter to the LaSalle Board, which we refer to as the April 20 letter, and the proposal set forth therein as the April 20 proposal. The April 20 letter stated that Pebblebrook was making a final offer to LaSalle. The April 20 proposal provided for a fixed exchange ratio of 0.9085 Pebblebrook common share for each LaSalle common share. The 0.9085 exchange ratio provided in the April 20 proposal represented a 1.6% increase to the 0.8944 exchange ratio provided in Pebblebrook's April 13 proposal. According to the April 20 letter, the April 20 proposal resulted in an implied price of \$32.49 per share for 100% of the outstanding LaSalle common shares based on the closing price per Pebblebrook common share on the NYSE of \$35.76 on April 19, 2018. Unlike Pebblebrook's March 6 proposal, Pebblebrook's April 20 proposal did not state an implied price based on a volume weighted average price of Pebblebrook common shares. The April 20 letter also stated that LaSalle shareholders would be provided with the option to elect to receive cash up to a maximum of 20% in aggregate merger consideration, subject to proration. The April 20 letter indicated that the proposal was not subject to a financing condition. The letter stated that the other key terms proposed in Pebblebrook's April 13 letter remained unchanged and that Pebblebrook would send LaSalle a draft merger agreement shortly.

On April 21, 2018, Mr. Bortz sent an email to Mr. Scott and indicated that he would be interested in discussing Pebblebrook's April 20 proposal with Mr. Scott. Consistent with the LaSalle Board's prior determination, Mr. Scott replied that Mr. Bortz should direct his communications on this topic to Mr. Barnello.

On April 22, 2018, the LaSalle Board held a meeting to discuss, among other things, Pebblebrook's April 20 proposal and the strategic process. Members of LaSalle management and representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs, Goodwin and DLA Piper were present. Representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs reviewed with the LaSalle Board certain financial aspects of Pebblebrook's April 20 proposal and certain financial aspects of Pebblebrook's March 6 and April 13 proposals. Representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs also updated the LaSalle Board on the strategic process completed to date, noting the parties that remained interested in engaging in discussions regarding a possible strategic transaction or acquisition transaction involving LaSalle, their diligence efforts to date and expressed levels of interest, and noting the parties that had declined interest. The LaSalle Board discussed the possibility that Pebblebrook could publicly disclose its April 20 proposal and the impact that would have on the strategic process. The LaSalle Board also considered Pebblebrook's April 19 letter requesting LaSalle to enter into a unilateral confidentiality agreement and determined that it would not be appropriate to engage in a unilateral diligence review of Pebblebrook at that time given that LaSalle was not

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conducting reverse due diligence on any other bidders during the initial stages of the sale process. The LaSalle Board also discussed recent discussions and correspondence with certain LaSalle shareholders.

From April 23 through April 27, 2018, seven of the potential bidders that had entered into confidentiality agreements with LaSalle (one strategic party and six financial sponsors) attended high-level management presentations conducted by members of LaSalle management (Blackstone attended a presentation on April 26, 2018) and attended by representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs as requested by LaSalle. Following these management presentations, members of LaSalle management participated in follow-up due diligence sessions with each of these potential bidders and their respective advisors. Representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs also attended these due diligence sessions as requested by LaSalle.

On April 24, 2018, prior to the opening of trading on the NYSE, Pebblebrook issued a press release disclosing its April 20 letter.

Subsequently on April 24, 2018, LaSalle issued a press release confirming that the LaSalle Board would carefully review Pebblebrook's April 20 letter.

Later on April 24, 2018, Mr. Bortz, on behalf of Pebblebrook and as authorized by the Pebblebrook Board, sent a letter to the LaSalle Board enclosing a proposed draft merger agreement as referenced in Pebblebrook's April 20 letter and consistent with the terms of the April 20 proposal.

On April 27, 2018, Pebblebrook conducted its quarterly earnings call relating to its financial and operating results for the first quarter. During the call, Mr. Bortz reiterated Pebblebrook's interest in pursuing the acquisition of LaSalle.

Also on April 27, 2018, representatives of Citi received an unsolicited inquiry from a potential strategic acquirer. After consulting with management and representatives of Goodwin, as directed by management, later that day, representatives of Citi provided the potential strategic acquirer with the same form of confidentiality agreement provided to other potential participants in LaSalle's sale process. Representatives of Goodwin negotiated the terms and conditions of this draft confidentiality agreement with representatives of the potential strategic acquirer until May 6, 2018, by which point LaSalle had received written non-binding preliminary indications of interest from the other participants in LaSalle's sale process, as described below. Despite repeated requests by representatives of Citi and Goodwin made at the direction of management to move quickly to finalize negotiation of the confidentiality agreement, the potential strategic acquirer was lagging behind other continuing participants in LaSalle's sale process as of such date, and therefore confidentiality agreement negotiations with the potential strategic acquirer were discontinued as of May 6, 2018.

On May 1, 2018, a representative of Goldman Sachs spoke with Mr. Bortz. Further to the LaSalle Board's direction that Pebblebrook be invited to participate in the formal sale process of LaSalle and confidentiality agreement negotiations to that end, and pursuant to the LaSalle Board's direction that Pebblebrook's participation in the formal sale process of LaSalle be solicited, the representative of Goldman Sachs spoke with Mr. Bortz to indicate LaSalle's continued interest in negotiating a mutual confidentiality agreement with Pebblebrook and the willingness of representatives of Goldman Sachs to facilitate discussions to that end. That day, representatives of Goldman Sachs informed LaSalle management and the LaSalle transaction committee regarding this discussion. After a series of discussions on this topic, Mr. Bortz indicated that, under certain terms, Pebblebrook may be interested in reinitiating discussions regarding a mutual confidentiality agreement.

On May 2, 2018, representatives of Hunton sent to representatives of Goodwin a revised draft of the mutual confidentiality agreement. In its revised draft confidentiality agreement, Pebblebrook included (i) the standstill provision, (ii) the public acquisition proposal prohibition and (iii) the public disclosure prohibition (each of which Pebblebrook proposed would expire 14 days after the execution of the confidentiality agreement).

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From May 2 through May 5, 2018, representatives of LaSalle's financial and legal advisors, with input from, and at the direction of, the LaSalle transaction committee and LaSalle management, and representatives of Pebblebrook's financial and legal advisors had various discussions regarding the length of the time that the prohibitions set forth in the mutual confidentiality agreement would apply. During these discussions, Pebblebrook's financial and legal advisors indicated that Pebblebrook would not enter into a confidentiality agreement which contained restrictions limiting its ability to act beyond June 4, 2018, which was the week of the Nareit® REITweek: 2018 Investor Conference in New York.

On the morning of May 4, 2018, representatives of Goodwin sent to representatives of Hunton a revised draft of the mutual confidentiality agreement which provided that the restrictions set forth therein would apply for 45 days.

In connection with the May 4, 2018 deadline for submissions of indication of interest, of the nine potential bidders that received a bid process letter on behalf of LaSalle, three financial sponsors, which we refer to as Party A, Party B and Blackstone, submitted indications of interest to LaSalle, as described below. All other potential bidders that had entered into confidentiality agreements with LaSalle declined to submit an indication of interest.

On May 4, 2018, LaSalle received written non-binding preliminary indications of interest from Party A and Blackstone. Party A proposed to acquire LaSalle in an all-cash transaction at a price of \$30.00 per LaSalle common share, and stated that it was prepared to complete its confirmatory due diligence and concurrently negotiate a definitive merger agreement within 21 days, and that the transaction would not be subject to any financing contingency. Blackstone proposed to acquire LaSalle in an all-cash transaction at a price of \$31.50 per LaSalle common share, which price was predicated on no additional dividends being paid to LaSalle's common shareholders other than LaSalle's next regularly scheduled dividend. Blackstone's proposal also stated that it was prepared to complete its confirmatory due diligence immediately and concurrently negotiate a definitive merger agreement within seven days, and noted that the transaction would be funded with Blackstone's \$15.8 billion fully discretionary Blackstone Real Estate Partners VIII fund, and would not be subject to any financing contingency. Blackstone's proposal also provided that it would expire at the close of business on May 7, 2018. On the prior trading day, May 3, 2018, the closing price per LaSalle common share on the NYSE was \$29.78.

On May 5, 2018, representatives of Goodwin sent to representatives of Hunton a revised draft of the mutual confidentiality agreement which agreed to Pebblebrook's request that the restrictions set forth therein would terminate on June 4, 2018.

Later on May 5, 2018, Pebblebrook and LaSalle entered into a mutual confidentiality agreement. The executed confidentiality agreement included, among other things, (i) the standstill provision, (ii) the public acquisition proposal prohibition and (iii) the public disclosure prohibition (each of which later expired on June 4, 2018). The confidentiality agreement also permitted Pebblebrook to make confidential proposals to LaSalle at any time and provided that the standstill provision would terminate prior to June 4, 2018 if there was a public announcement by LaSalle of its execution of a definitive agreement to effect a sale of LaSalle. Shortly after execution of the mutual confidentially agreement, Pebblebrook was provided access to an online data room containing nonpublic information regarding LaSalle and its properties, which was the same information provided to the other participants in LaSalle's sale process upon entering into a confidentiality agreement, and LaSalle was provided access to an online data room containing nonpublic information regarding Pebblebrook and its properties.

On May 7, 2018, LaSalle received a written non-binding preliminary indication of interest from Party B. Party B proposed to acquire LaSalle in an all-cash transaction at a price of \$32.00 per LaSalle common share. Party B's proposal also stated that it was prepared to complete its confirmatory due diligence and concurrently negotiate a definitive merger agreement within 45 days, and noted that the transaction would not be subject to any financing contingency.

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On May 7, 2018, the LaSalle Board held a meeting to discuss, among other things, the proposals received from Party A, Party B and Blackstone and Pebblebrook's April 20 proposal. Members of LaSalle management and representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs, Goodwin and DLA Piper were present. Representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs reviewed the financial aspects of the proposals. Representatives of Goodwin reviewed with the LaSalle Board its fiduciary duties in the context of evaluating the preliminary indications of interest from Party A, Party B and Blackstone and Pebblebrook's April 20 proposal.

Following this discussion, the LaSalle Board discussed how best to encourage the parties to improve their respective purchase prices and other terms. Because Party B's and Blackstone's proposals were within close range of each other, the LaSalle Board determined to advance both parties to the next phase of the strategic process, to provide each party with additional due diligence access and a draft merger agreement with respect to which the parties would be requested to provide comments and to encourage them to increase their respective purchase prices in view of the competitive nature of the process. Because Pebblebrook had entered into a confidentiality agreement with LaSalle, and on the basis of Pebblebrook's April 20 proposal, the LaSalle Board determined that Pebblebrook should also be included in the next phase of the strategic process, provided with the same due diligence access as the other bidders, provided a draft merger agreement with respect to which Pebblebrook would be requested to provide comments and encouraged to increase its proposed purchase price.

The LaSalle Board directed management, in consultation with representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs, to structure the next phase of the process to target a potential conclusion on or about May 18, 2018, which the LaSalle Board concluded was a realistic deadline for the bidders to complete their due diligence and negotiate and execute a definitive agreement. Because Party A had submitted a proposal that was lower than the others, the LaSalle Board directed representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs to inform Party A that it would not be moving forward at that time, unless Party A were meaningfully to increase its proposed price. The LaSalle Board also discussed that to date none of the three financial sponsors had, and had not requested to have, discussions with LaSalle's management regarding any roles, compensation, retention or investment arrangements in connection with a possible transaction.

At the meeting, Mr. Barnello also provided an update on LaSalle's financial results that it expected to report for the first quarter of 2018, which management expected to be above Wall Street research consensus estimates, and an update on LaSalle's preliminary financial outlook for the remainder of 2018, which management expected to increase in comparison to LaSalle's previous guidance.

On May 8, 2018, bid process letters were sent to Party B, Blackstone and Pebblebrook which, at the direction of the LaSalle Board, set a second round bid deadline of May 16, 2018, and requested marked drafts of LaSalle's proposed form of merger agreement by May 14, 2018.

On May 8, 2018, Party B, Blackstone and Pebblebrook were provided with a draft merger agreement on behalf of LaSalle. The draft merger agreement provided to the two financial sponsors (Party B and Blackstone) contemplated, among other things, a customary all-cash merger, a LaSalle termination fee equal to 2% of the equity value of the transaction if the merger agreement was terminated under certain circumstances and a reverse termination fee equal to 10% of the equity value of the transaction if the merger agreement was terminated under certain circumstances. Drafts of an equity commitment letter and limited guaranty were concurrently provided to the financial sponsors. The draft merger agreement provided to Pebblebrook contemplated, among other things, a customary business combination merger and a LaSalle termination fee equal to 2% of the aggregate equity value of LaSalle if the merger agreement was terminated under certain circumstances. The merger agreement provided to Pebblebrook also provided that LaSalle shareholders would be provided with the option to elect to receive a cash amount per LaSalle common share equal to the exchange ratio multiplied by the

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five-day volume weighted average price per Pebblebrook common share ending on the trading day immediately before execution of a definitive merger agreement, up to a maximum of 20% of the aggregate number of LaSalle common shares outstanding immediately prior to the closing, subject to proration.

On May 8, 2018, at the direction of the LaSalle Board, representatives of Citi and Goldman Sachs contacted representatives of Party A and informed them that, because their indication of interest was below the level of the other bidders, LaSalle would not be proceeding with Party A at that time, unless Party A were meaningfully to improve its proposed price. There were no further discussions between Party A and LaSalle or its representatives.

On May 10, 2018, LaSalle announced its financial results for the first quarter of 2018. LaSalle reported first quarter results that meaningfully exceeded its expectations and raised its guidance for the remainder of 2018. On May 10, 2018, the closing price per LaSalle common share on the NYSE was \$31.43.

Also on May 10, 2018, the Pebblebrook Board held a meeting to discuss, among other things, the status of discussions with LaSalle and its advisors. Members of the Pebblebrook management team and representatives of each of Hunton, Raymond James and BAML were present. Among other things, Pebblebrook management reviewed with the Pebblebrook Board certain financial aspects of the proposed transaction and its due diligence review of LaSalle, including with respect to various one-time costs associated with LaSalle's transaction expenses and retention and severance obligations. Pebblebrook management also reviewed with the Pebblebrook Board the status of Pebblebrook's discussions with BAML to obtain a commitment letter for a bridge loan to fund the cash consideration in the proposed transaction. Representatives of Hunton reviewed the material terms of the draft merger agreement under negotiation with LaSalle.

The LaSalle Board also held a meeting on May 10, 2018 to discuss, among other things, management's standalone plan and the strategic process. Members of LaSalle's management and representatives of Citi, Goldman Sachs, Goodwin and DLA Piper were present. The LaSalle Board reviewed certain updated financial projections regarding LaSalle for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2018 through December 31, 2022, prepared by LaSalle's management, which were the same in all respects as the forecasts that LaSalle's management had prepared and provided to the LaSalle Board on March 20, 2018, except that they incorporated LaSalle's actual performance for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2018 and an updated forecast for the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2018, and a corresponding roll forward for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2018 through December 31, 2022. The LaSalle Board discussed the risks, challenges and strategic opportunities facing LaSalle in the context of the updated forecasts. Following discussion and questions of management regarding various matters relating to the updated forecasts, including the assumptions on which they were based, the LaSalle Board approved the updated forecasts for use by Citi and Goldman Sachs.

At the meeting, representatives of Goodwin reviewed certain terms contained in the draft merger agreements presented to the bidders. In addition, the LaSalle Board discussed the updated customary written relationships disclosure letter provided by each of Citi and Goldman Sachs and distributed to the LaSalle Board before the meeting. In the case of Citi, the disclosure letter listed engagements for which Citi and its affiliates has recognized compensation for investment banking, commercial banking and other financial services provided to Party B (including its portfolio companies and its affiliated public vehicle), Blackstone Real Estate Advisors L.P. (including its portfolio companies and its affiliated public vehicle Blackstone Mortgage Trust, Inc.) and Pebblebrook since January 1, 2016. In the case of Goldman Sachs, the disclosure letter listed engagements for which Goldman Sachs has recognized compensation for financial advisory and underwriting services provided by its investment banking division to Party B (including its affiliates and portfolio companies) and Pebblebrook in the two years preceding the meeting. After discussion,

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including with Goodwin, the LaSalle Board again determined that those relationships would not interfere with Citi's or Goldman Sachs' ability to continue to provide financial advisory services to LaSalle. At the conclusion of the meeting, the independent trustees participating in the meeting met in executive session with Goodwin and DLA Piper to further discuss the strategic process and negotiations with Party B, Blackstone and Pebblebrook.

On May 11, 2018, members of LaSalle management and Pebblebrook management conducted in-person, reciprocal high-level management presentations with representatives of their respective financial advisors also present.

On May 14, 2018, HG Vora filed an amendment to its Schedule 13D reporting beneficial ownership of 9.1% of LaSalle's outstanding common shares. The amendment to HG Vora's Schedule 13D also disclosed a letter that it had sent to the LaSalle Board stating that it believed that a sale of LaSalle on the terms of Pebblebrook's April 20 proposal or better would be superior to any credible standalone plan.

On May 14, 2018, outside legal counsel to Blackstone, provided Blackstone's initial comments on the draft merger agreement, equity commitment letter and limited guarantee to Goodwin. In the drafts, among other things, Blackstone proposed a LaSalle termination fee equal to 3.5% of the equity value of the transaction and replaced LaSalle's right to specific performance with the right to receive a reverse termination fee equal to 7% of the equity value of the transaction as LaSalle's sole and exclusive remedy if the merger agreement were terminated under certain circumstances.

On May 14, 2018, representatives of Hunton provided Pebblebrook's initial