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## **Report of Organizational Actions Affecting Basis of Securities**

▶ See separate instructions.

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Internal Revenue Service Reporting Issuer Part I 2 Issuer's employer identification number (EIN) Issuer's name PIEDMONT OFFICE REALTY TRUST, INC 58-2328421 3 Name of contact for additional information Telephone No. of contact 5 Email address of contact **INVESTOR SERVICES** investor.services@piedmontreit.com 6 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) of contact 7 City, town, or post office, state, and Zip code of contact PITTSB<u>URGH, PA 15252-8035</u> P.O. BOX 358015 8 Date of action 9 Classification and description 03/18/2016; 06/17/2016; 09/16/2016 COMMON STOCK 10 CUSIP number 11 Serial number(s) 12 Ticker symbol 13 Account number(s) PDM 720190206 Organizational Action Attach additional statements if needed. See back of form for additional questions. Part II Describe the organizational action and, if applicable, the date of the action or the date against which shareholders' ownership is measured for the action ► PIEDMONT OFFICE REALTY TRUST, INC. DISTRIBUTED QUARTERLY CASH DISTRIBUTIONS TO ITS COMMON SHAREHOLDERS FOR THE 2016 TAX YEAR. A PORTION OF THESE DISTRIBUTIONS REPRESENTS A NON-DIVIDEND DISTRIBUTION. THESE DISTRIBUTIONS WERE PAID MARCH 18, 2016; JUNE 17, 2016; AND SEPTEMBER 16, 2016. THE SHAREHOLDER RECORD DATES ARE FEBRUARY 26, 2016; MAY 27, 2016; AND AUGUST 26, 2016 Describe the quantitative effect of the organizational action on the basis of the security in the hands of a U.S. taxpayer as an adjustment per share or as a percentage of old basis ► THE DISTRIBUTION REDUCED THE BASIS OF THE SECURITY IN THE HANDS OF THE US TAXPAYER BY 18.23% OF THE TOTAL DISTRIBUTION RECEIVED AS FOLLOWS: **PAYABLE DATE** PER SHARE REDUCTION OF BASIS 03/18/2016 \$0.03828 06/17/2016 \$0.03828 09/16/2016 \$0.03828 Describe the calculation of the change in basis and the data that supports the calculation, such as the market values of securities and the valuation dates ► THE TAXPAYER'S EARNINGS AND PROFITS WERE CALCULATED UNDER IRC SECTION 312 AS MODIFIED BY IRC SECTION 857(D) FOR A REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST AND THE REGULATIONS THEREUNDER. DISTRIBUTIONS IN EXCESS OF THE PORTION OF THE EARNINGS AND PROFITS ALLOCABLE TO THE COMMON SHARES REDUCE THE SHAREHOLDER'S TAX BASIS IN ITS SHARES TO THE EXTENT OF BASIS.

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