SANTA MONICA, Calif., Oct. 20, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Douglas Emmett, Inc. (NYSE: DEI), a real estate investment trust (REIT), announced that there was a fire in a single unit at its Barrington Plaza apartment building on October 18, 2013. The Los Angeles Fire Department was able to quickly contain the fire to a single unit and the corridor on the 11th floor, although some nearby units incurred smoke and water damage. Unfortunately, several tenants suffered from smoke inhalation. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

The building had been inspected earlier this year by the Fire Department, which confirmed that the building was in compliance with applicable law and that the fire systems and alarms were functioning correctly. Most tenants were able to return to their units, and the Company expects that most of the remaining units will be habitable within the next few days. Douglas Emmett has been working with tenants to minimize the disruption in the meantime.

About Douglas Emmett, Inc.

Douglas Emmett, Inc. (DEI) is a fully integrated, self-administered and self-managed real estate investment trust (REIT), and one of the largest owners and operators of high-quality office and multifamily properties located in the premier coastal submarkets of Los Angeles and Honolulu. Douglas Emmett focuses on owning and acquiring a substantial share of top-tier office properties and premier multifamily communities in neighborhoods that possess significant supply constraints, high-end executive housing and key lifestyle amenities. For more information about

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