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## ARA Newmark Brokers Sell a 240-Unit, Value-add Multihousing Community in Portland Submarket

June Sales of \$140M Highlight Unprecedented Interest in the Portland Market

**Portland (August, 2015)** — <u>ARA, A Newmark Company</u> (ARA Newmark) announced the sale of Andover Park, a 240-unit property, constructed in 1989 and located in Beaverton, Oregon.

The property was marketed as a value-add opportunity and received a strong response from investors. ARA Newmark's Portland-based Executive Managing Director Gail Neuburg exclusively represented the seller, UDR, a leading multihousing real estate investment trust headquartered in Denver, CO. An undisclosed firm was selected as the buyer.

Quality management, prime location and unique features set this property above the competition. Prior to the sale, Andover Park was partially renovated by the seller and already achieving market-leading rents as a result. The new owner intends to complete renovations and make further improvements to the property. "Considering the property's high-occupancy, strong demographic profile and the lack of land available for development nearby, we believe Andover Park is well-positioned to capitalize on the region's strong rent growth fundamentals," stated Neuburg. The asset traded for an undisclosed amount and was 100% occupied at the time of sale.

This sale highlights unprecedented interest in the Portland market. ARA Newmark brokered \$140 million in multihousing sales in the Portland area for the month of June, with deals consisting of three properties which were separately marketed over the past three months.

"We feel these closings are significant indicators of how strong Portland's apartment fundamentals are," said Neuburg. "Marketing the properties at the same time allowed us to build strong momentum and tell a good story about the market. According to Axiometrics, our market has experienced 20 straight quarters of rent growth during which rents have risen 32% and 2014 rent growth was 8.5%, placing Portland in sixth place nationally. With rents still below other West Coast markets, we expect this trend to continue and market interest to remain high. The Portland area has a sound economy with strong job growth, population growth and continued housing

pressure. The response to recent offerings has been intense and we believe Portland will remain at the top of the list for many investors."

## About ARA, A Newmark Company

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