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PERLS III - QUARTERLY DIVIDEND RATE SET

Preferred Capital Limited today announced that the dividend rate for PERLS III for the quarter ending 6 January 2010 was set today in accordance with the PERLS III terms and conditions set out in the prospectus dated 3 March 2006. The dividend rate for this quarter was calculated as follows:

Market rate (90 day Bank Bill Swap Rate as at 6 Oct 2009): 3.5367% p.a.

Plus Margin: <u>1.0500</u>% p.a. 4.5867% p.a.

Multiplied by (1- Tax Rate): 0.70

Dividend Rate 3.2107% p.a.

The dividend is due to be paid on 6 January 2010 with the record date being 30 December 2009 and the ex-dividend date being 22 December 2009. The dividend will cover a period of 92 days and is expected to be fully franked.

For further information, please contact Warwick Bryan (Executive General Manager Investor Relations), on (02) 9378 5130.

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