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## Retail Opportunity Investments Corp. Announces Tax Reporting Information for 2015 Distributions

SAN DIEGO, Jan. 21, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Retail Opportunity Investments Corp. (NASDAQ:ROIC), announced today the federal tax treatment of the 2015 distributions on its shares of common stock. The federal tax treatment of the 2015 distributions as it is expected to be reported on Form 1099-DIV is as follows:

Record Date	Payable Date	Total Distribution per Share	Ordinary Income per Share <sup>1</sup>	Return of Capital per Share
3/16/2015	3/30/2015	\$ 0.17000	\$0.12951	\$0.04049
6/16/2015	6/30/2015	\$ 0.17000	\$0.12951	\$0.04049
9/15/2015	9/29/2015	\$ 0.17000	\$0.12951	\$0.04049
12/15/2015	12/29/2015	\$ 0.17000	\$0.12951	\$0.04049

<sup>1</sup> Ordinary Income per Share is non-qualified dividend income.

Stockholders are encouraged to consult with their personal tax advisors as to their specific tax treatment of ROIC's distributions.

### About Retail Opportunity Investments Corp.

Retail Opportunity Investments Corp. (NASDAQ:ROIC), is a fully-integrated, self-managed real estate investment trust (REIT) that specializes in the acquisition, ownership and management of grocery-anchored shopping centers located in densely-populated, metropolitan markets across the West Coast. As of December 31, 2015, ROIC owned 73 shopping centers encompassing approximately 8.6 million square feet. ROIC is the largest publicly-traded, grocery-anchored shopping center REIT focused exclusively on the West Coast. ROIC is a member of the S&P SmallCap 600 Index and has investment-grade corporate debt ratings from Moody's Investor Services and Standard & Poor's. Additional information is available at: [www.roireit.net](http://www.roireit.net).

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