

## NB Private Equity Partners Announces Interim Financial Report and Investor Presentation

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NB Private Equity Partners Limited (“NBPE” or the “Company”), a closed-end private equity investment company, today releases its Interim Financial Report for the period ended 30 June 2015.

### Key Highlights

- 2.6% increase in Net Asset Value (“NAV”) during the first six months to \$713.0 million (31 December 2014: \$694.8 million) driven by unrealized gains on public and private equity holdings as well as cash and payment-in-kind (“PIK”) interest on its income investment portfolio.
- NBPE’s NAV increase of \$45.1 million during the six months included:
  - \$42.9 million of realised gains, or \$0.88 per Share, net of tax expense
  - \$14.6 million of unrealised losses, or (\$0.30) per Share, net of tax expense
  - \$16.2 million of yield income and dividends, or \$0.33 per Share
  - \$15.0 million of operating expenses and other expenses, or (\$0.31) per Share
  - \$11.2 million of dividends paid, or \$0.23 per Share
- Portfolio continues to produce positive and consistent NAV development:

	Month	Q2 2015	30 June 2015 YTD	30 June 2015 LTM	31 July 2015 YTD (Revised)
NAV development per Share	0.1%	2.5%	2.6%	4.7%	1.4%
Total return NAV development per Share <sup>1</sup>	0.1%	2.5%	4.5%	8.9%	5.5%

- Following the receipt of new valuation information, the 31 July 2015 revised monthly NAV represents a 0.2% increase from the originally published 31 July 2015 monthly NAV estimate
- 8.7% increase in semi-annual dividend to \$0.25 per Share (H1 2014: \$0.23 per Share) representing a dividend yield of 4.3% on share price on an annualized basis<sup>2</sup>.

### Portfolio Valuation

The value of NBPE’s private equity portfolio as at 30 June 2015 was based on the following information<sup>3</sup>:

- 94% of the private equity fair value was valued as of 30 June 2015
  - 82% in private direct/co-investments and funds based on 30 June 2015 valuation information
  - 10% in public securities
  - 2% in credit-related fund investments
- 6% of the private equity fair value was valued as of 31 March 2015

<sup>1</sup> Assumes reinvestment of dividends and reflects cumulative returns over time period shown.

<sup>2</sup> Dividend previously announced on 14 July 2015, to be paid on each Ordinary Share on 27 August 2015.

<sup>3</sup> Please refer to the valuation methodology section of the interim report for a description of our valuation policy. While some valuation data is as of 31 March 2015, our analysis and historical experience lead us to believe that this approximates fair value at 30 June 2015.

## Portfolio commentary

- **Direct investment focus:** 75% of fair value invested in equity co-investments and income investments
- **Strong cash flow:** \$146.3 million of distributions received during the first six months of 2015; \$106.8 million funded to investments
- **New investments:** 10 new equity co-investments and eight new income investments completed year to date

## Market commentary

Private equity buyers had significant capital to invest as robust fundraising activities continued. In addition, credit was readily available and many companies have demonstrated strong performance over the last few years. Companies with strong growth profiles, high free cash flow and more predictable business models insulated from broad macroeconomic trends attracted premium multiples. Strong M&A and generally receptive IPO markets created many selling opportunities for private equity firms seeking exits for portfolio companies. The Manager believes this environment was advantageous for NBPE's portfolio during the first six months of 2015.

Although many segments of the private equity market remain competitive, the Manager believes a favourable opportunity exists in the small and mid-cap buyout markets.

## Outlook

NBPE continues to benefit from the full resources of the Manager's integrated private equity platform for superior deal flow, due diligence and execution capabilities. The Manager believes that while many segments of the market remain competitive, there are a number of near-term opportunities that would be attractive investments for the portfolio and that the current investment pipeline remains strong.

The Interim Financial Report can be accessed via the NBPE website at [www.nbprivateequitypartners.com](http://www.nbprivateequitypartners.com).

## Investor Call

NBPE will hold a conference call on Tuesday 25 August 2015 in order to discuss the Company's recent financial performance and Company developments.

The conference call will take place at 14.00 BST / 15.00 CEST / 9.00 EDT and can be accessed by dialing +1-877-233-4049 (U.S.) or +1-706-634-9866 (International) with the access code 17356904. Please ask for "the NBPE investor call."

A playback facility will be available two hours after the conference call concludes. This facility can be accessed for the following two weeks by dialing +1-855-859-2056 (U.S.) or +1-404-537-3406 (International). The code to access the playback facility is 17356904. A recording of the investor call will also be available on NBPE's website within several days after the call.

An updated investor presentation will be available prior to the call on NBPE's website at [www.nbprivateequitypartners.com](http://www.nbprivateequitypartners.com).

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