

**ASX ANNOUNCEMENT**

13 March 2025

**METRICS INCOME OPPORTUNITIES TRUST (ASX: MOT)****Metrics Credit Holdings share issuance**

The Trust Company (RE Services) Limited (ABN 45 003 278 831) (**Responsible Entity**), part of Perpetual Limited, and the responsible entity for the Metrics Income Opportunities Trust ARSN 631 320 628 (**MOT**) announces that Metrics Credit Holdings Pty Ltd (**Metrics**), the ultimate parent company of Metrics Credit Partners Pty Ltd, the investment manager of MOT has agreed to issue shares in Metrics (**Transaction**) to a strategic partnership (**Partnership**) established between the National Pension Service of Korea (**NPS**) and Townsend Group (**Townsend**).

The Partnership has agreed to make a strategic investment in Metrics by acquiring a 4.17% interest in Metrics Credit Holdings Pty Ltd. The Transaction will be a primary investment, and no shares will be sold by any of the existing shareholders. Following completion of the transaction, Metrics will be owned:

- 62.29% by the Metrics Managing Partners (Andrew Lockhart, Justin Hynes, Graham McNamara and Andrew Tremain) in equal shares via their controlled entities;
- 33.54% by Pinnacle Investment Management Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Pinnacle Investment Management Group Limited (ASX: PNI); and
- 4.17% by the Partnership.

Proceeds from the Transaction will be used by Metrics to provide capital to support growth initiatives, including potential acquisitions and/or the development of new investment strategies.

Andrew Lockhart, Managing Partner of Metrics said: "We are pleased to partner with both NPS and Townsend. As one of the world's largest pension funds, NPS, along with Townsend, a leading global real asset investment platform, will assist our future growth plans, both domestically and internationally – particularly in our real estate strategies, an area where Townsend brings considerable expertise."

Anthony Frammartino, CEO and Chairman of Townsend said: "Metrics is a well-established and leading private credit platform in Australia, which is an attractive and diverse market we have been actively focused on. Our decision to invest reflects our confidence in Metrics' ability to continue to grow its platform and deliver opportunities that will drive long-term value for our investors."

**About Townsend**

Townsend Holdings LLC (d/b/a Townsend Group) is a leading provider of global investment management and advisory services exclusively focused on real estate and real assets. For over 40 years, Townsend has been committed to excellence in investment management and client service. Townsend serves an institutional client base, providing custom investment solutions to help meet objectives of their investment programs. Headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio of the United States, the firm has offices in San Francisco, London, and Hong Kong. As of March 31, 2024, Townsend

provided advisory services to clients who had real estate/real asset allocations of approximately US\$ 237.9 billion and had assets under management of approximately US\$ 20.9 billion.

### About Metrics

Metrics is an Australian based non-bank corporate lender and alternative asset management firm, specialising in fixed income, private credit, equity and capital markets, with assets under management of ~A\$23 billion, including the Metrics Master Income Trust (ASX:MXT), the Metrics Income Opportunities Trust (ASX:MOT) and the Metrics Real Estate Multi-Strategy Fund (ASX:MRE), as well as a number of other wholesale and retail offered funds.

### Authorised for release by the Responsible Entity

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