## **Macquarie Fortress Investments Limited**

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Dear Kim-Ly

For Announcement to the market

## MACQUARIE FORTRESS NOTES - NAV ANNOUNCEMENT

Macquarie Fortress Investments Limited (as trustee for the Macquarie Fortress Australia Notes Trust) (MFIL) wishes to advise that the net asset value (NAV) as at 30 January 2009 was zero cents per Note. This NAV has not been audited.

As previously disclosed, the deterioration in global financial markets has continued to affect the traded prices of US Senior Secured Loans (Senior Loans) in the Fortress portfolio. Presently, the cumulative market value of Senior Loans in the Fortress portfolio is below the total debt facility balance. As a result, MFIL estimates that as at 27 February 2009 the NAV remains zero cents per Note.

Despite the above, even in the event that there is ultimately a shortfall between the total debt facility balance and the cumulative realised value of Senior Loans in the Fortress portfolio, holders of Macquarie Fortress Notes will not be required to fund this shortfall.

As previously notified, the refinancing arrangement concluded in April 2008 is committed for 8 years until 2016 and does not incorporate any market value based repayment triggers. Under this arrangement, the finance provider has no rights to require an accelerated repayment of the debt facility. The final return to investors continues to depend on default and recovery rates of Senior Loans in the Fortress portfolio. There have been no new defaults in the Fortress portfolio since 31 December 2008.

Yours sincerely

**Macquarie Fortress Investments Limited** 

Peter Lucas

Director