

CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP
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Crown Castle International Corp.

\$700,000,000 2.250% Senior Notes due 2021

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Pricing Term Sheet

The information in this pricing term sheet supplements the Issuer's Preliminary Prospectus Supplement, dated August 22, 2016, and supersedes the information in the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement to the extent it is inconsistent with the information contained therein. This pricing term sheet is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement. Financial information presented in the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement or incorporated by reference therein is deemed to have changed to the extent affected by the changes described herein. This pricing term sheet should be read together with the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement, including the documents incorporated by reference therein, and the accompanying prospectus dated March 27, 2015 before making a decision in connection with an investment in the securities. Capitalized terms used in this pricing term sheet but not defined have the meanings given to them in the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement.

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| Issuer: | Crown Castle International Corp. |
| Security Description: | 2.250% Senior Notes due 2021 (the Notes) |
| Ratings (Moody's / S&P / Fitch)*: | Baa3 (Stable) / BBB- (Stable) / BBB- (Stable) |
| Distribution: | SEC-registered |
| Aggregate Principal Amount: | \$700,000,000 |
| Gross Proceeds: | \$699,804,000 |
| Maturity Date: | September 1, 2021 |
| Coupon: | 2.250% |
| Benchmark Treasury: | 1.125% due July 31, 2021 |
| Benchmark Treasury Price and Yield: | 99-30 1/4; 1.136% |
| Spread to Benchmark Treasury: | T + 112 basis points |

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| Price to Public: | 99.972% of principal amount |
| Yield to Maturity: | 2.256% |
| Interest Payment Dates: | March 1 and September 1, commencing March 1, 2017 |
| Record Dates: | February 15 and August 15 |
| Make-Whole Call: | Prior to August 1, 2021 (one month prior to the maturity date of the Notes), at greater of par and make-whole at discount rate of Treasury plus 20 basis points |

Par Call: At any time on or after August 1, 2021 (one month prior to the maturity date of the Notes)

Trade Date: August 22, 2016

Settlement Date: September 1, 2016 (T+8)

We expect to deliver the Notes against payment for the Notes on the eighth business day following the pricing of the Notes (T+8). Under Rule 15c6-1 of the Exchange Act, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in three business days, unless the parties to a trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade Notes on the date of pricing or the next four succeeding business days will be required, by virtue of the fact that the Notes initially will settle in T+8, to specify alternative settlement arrangements to prevent a failed settlement.

Use of Proceeds: We expect to receive net proceeds of approximately \$692.6 million from the sale of the Notes to the underwriters, after deducting the estimated underwriting discount and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering to repay in full the 2.381% Senior Secured Notes due 2017 issued by CC Holdings GS V LLC, our indirect wholly owned subsidiary, and a subsidiary thereof as co-issuer, and to repay a portion of the outstanding borrowings under our Revolver.

Certain of the underwriters or their respective affiliates are lenders under the Revolver and affiliates of certain underwriters serve other roles under the Revolver. As a result, certain of the underwriters or their affiliates expect to receive a portion of the net proceeds from this offering to the extent used to repay the Revolver.

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ISIN: US22822VAD38

Denominations/Multiple: \$2,000 × \$1,000

Joint Book-Running
Managers:

Citigroup Global Markets Inc.
Fifth Third Securities, Inc.
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith
Incorporated
MUFG Securities Americas Inc.
SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc.
Barclays Capital Inc.
Credit Agricole Securities (USA) Inc.
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC
Mizuho Securities USA Inc.
Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC
RBC Capital Markets, LLC
SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.
TD Securities (USA) LLC

Senior Co-Managers:

Citizens Capital Markets, Inc.
SG Americas Securities, LLC
Wells Fargo Securities, LLC

Co-Manager:

PNC Capital Markets LLC

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