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**STRATEGIC STORAGE TRUST INC. GAINS MOMENTUM, ANNOUNCES
PENDING ACQUISITION OF 4 PROPERTIES IN KENTUCKY AND VIRGINIA**

Ladera Ranch, Calif.— Nov. 19, 2008 – Strategic Storage Trust Inc. (SSTI) today announced the pending acquisitions of four self-storage facilities in Kentucky and Virginia for a combined purchase price of \$14.6 million.

This is the second major acquisition-related announcement by SSTI, a publicly registered (\$1-billion of common stock registered) non-traded REIT. In October, the trust announced its first acquisitions after closing on the purchases of facilities in Biloxi, Miss., and Gulf Breeze, Fla.

If SSTI successfully closes the latest transactions as expected, it would bring its growing portfolio to a total of 3,118 self-storage units with 407,500 rentable square feet of storage space.

“We’re excited about these additions to our growing portfolio” said H. Michael Schwartz, SSTI’s Chairman and CEO. “We got off to a great start, and now we’re really starting to build momentum toward achieving our long term objectives.”

SSTI’s strategy is to identify key properties nationwide for acquisition, with prospects of capitalizing on creating greater efficiency in a real estate sector that is comparatively stable but also fragmented among many smaller owner-operators.

Like the initial purchases, the new acquisitions are to be realized mostly with cash or low leverage. Schwartz said SSTI’s aim is to structure purchases in this fashion as much as possible to keep the momentum going even through volatile times in the credit market.

The announcement today involves two transactions and four separate properties. In the first, targeted for closing by the end of 2008, SSTI would acquire the following property from Godwin Store-It, LLC:

- A 500-unit self storage facility in Manassas, Va., that sits on approximately 2.3 acres and contains approximately 49,900 rentable square feet of self storage space. It was built in 1996 and expanded in 2000. The property is located about 35 miles west of Washington, D.C.

“Manassas represents our first venture into the lucrative Northern Virginia self storage market,” Schwartz said. “It’s an investment with good cash flows and great opportunity for us to add value through customer service and operational savvy coupled with the latest technology in the industry.”

In the second transaction, targeted for closing in the first quarter of 2009, SSTI would acquire the following three Best Self-Storage properties from Garrard Street Enterprises, LLC and Crescent Springs Storage, LLC:

- A 434-unit self storage facility in Walton, Ky., that sits on approximately 7.5 acres and contains approximately 72,000 rentable square feet of self storage space. It was built in 1991 and is located about 14 miles south of Cincinnati, Ohio.
- A 366-unit self storage facility in Crescent Springs, Ky., that sits on approximately 3 acres and contains approximately 57,200 rentable square feet of self storage space. It was built in 2003 and is located about six miles south of Cincinnati.
- A 517-unit self storage facility in Florence, Ky., that sits on approximately 7 acres and contains approximately 81,800 rentable square feet of self storage space. It was built in 1996 and is located about six miles south of Cincinnati.

“The Best Portfolio provides an opportunity to purchase three well located and well maintained assets,” said Schwartz. “These assets are highly occupied although there is a significant opportunity to add value through growth of economic occupancy while maintaining strong physical occupancy. We will add value through economies of scale achieved in national Yellow Pages advertising, portfolio master insurance and national purchasing power.”

About Strategic Storage Trust, Inc.

SSTI is a publicly registered (\$1 billion of common stock registered) non-traded REIT with a portfolio that currently includes more than 1,300 storage units and 146,000 rentable square feet of storage space. Strategic Storage Trust’s sponsor is U.S. Commercial LLC, which manages a growing portfolio of 5 million square feet of commercial properties, including 2.9 million square feet of self storage facilities, with a combined market value of over \$574 million. For more information, please call 949-429-6600 or visit www.strategicstoragetrust.com.

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