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Statement regarding Phaunos Timber Fund Limited ("Phaunos")

Further to the announcement by CatchMark Timber Trust, Inc. ("CatchMark" or the "Company") on 6 September 2018, CatchMark announces that, following discussions with the Board of Phaunos, it does not intend to make an offer for Phaunos.

As a result of this announcement, CatchMark (and any person(s) acting in concert with it) will be bound by the restrictions contained in Rule 2.8 of the Code.

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- with the agreement of the Board of Phaunos following the firm offer made by Stafford Capital Partners Limited having been withdrawn or having lapsed;
- if a third party announces a firm intention to make an offer for Phaunos pursuant to Rule 2.7 of the Code;

- following the announcement by Phaunos of a "whitewash" proposal (for the purposes of Note 1 on the Notes on Dispensations from Rule 9 of the Code) or a reverse takeover; or
- if the Panel on Takeovers and Mergers determines that there has been a material change of circumstances.

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