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Highwoods Properties to Release Fourth Quarter and Year End 2008 Results on February 11

Conference Call Thursday, February 12, at 11:00 a.m.

Raleigh, NC – January 8, 2009 – Highwoods Properties, Inc. (NYSE: HIW), the largest owner and operator of suburban office properties in the Southeast, today announced that it will release unaudited financial results for the fourth quarter and full year of 2008 on Wednesday, February 11, after the market closes. A conference call will be held the next day, Thursday, February 12, at 11:00 a.m. Eastern time.

For US/Canada callers, dial (800) 920-5548. A live, listen-only Web cast can be accessed through the Company's Web site at www.highwoods.com under the "Investor Relations" section.

A replay of the call will be available on the Investor Relations section of Highwoods web site at www.highwoods.com.

About the Company

Highwoods Properties, Inc., a member of the S&P MidCap 400 Index, is a fully integrated, self-administered real estate investment trust ("REIT") that provides leasing, management, development, construction and other customer-related services for its properties and for third parties. At September 30, 2008, the Company owned or had an interest in 383 in-service office, industrial and retail properties encompassing approximately 34.8 million square feet. Highwoods also owned 619 acres of development land. Highwoods is based in Raleigh, North Carolina, and its properties and development land are located in Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia. For more information about Highwoods Properties, please visit our Web site at www.highwoods.com.

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