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## STRATEGIC STORAGE TRUST, INC. MEETS MINIMUM OFFERING OF \$1,000,000 IN SHARES

**Ladera Ranch, CA, May 22, 2008** - Strategic Storage Trust, Inc. has raised proceeds that exceed the \$1,000,000 minimum offering. This non-traded public REIT has now broken escrow and admitted initial investors as stockholders. New stockholders will continue to be admitted on a daily basis. The REIT now accepts stockholders residing in all 50 states plus District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

"We are pleased with the short period of time it took to break escrow," said H. Michael Schwartz, founder and Chief Executive Officer of Strategic Storage Trust, Inc. and "we are excited to officially become the fifth public self storage company in the United States and the first self storage REIT in the public non-traded REIT marketplace." Strategic Storage Trust, Inc. will focus on the acquisition, ownership, operation, development, and activities relating to the self storage industry. Strategic Storage Trust, Inc. may also invest in other storage related investments such as storage facilities for automobiles, recreation vehicles and boats. "The self storage industry is a unique asset class which displays recession resistant traits as it is affected by human life factors such as marriage, divorce, retirement, relocation, and military enlistment" said H. Michael Schwartz, "this combined with a fragmented industry and baby boomer demographics makes for an attractive real estate asset class in the coming years."

U.S. Commercial LLC, the sponsor for Strategic Storage Trust, Inc., manages a growing portfolio of nearly 5.3 million square feet of commercial properties, including 2.4 million square feet of self storage, with a combined market value of over \$760 million from their headquarters in Ladera Ranch, California and a regional office in Dallas, Texas.

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