

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 10, 2018

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 **PHILLIPS EDISON & COMPANY**  
**Phillips Edison & Company, Inc.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Maryland  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

000-54691  
(Commission  
File Number)

27-1106076  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

11501 Northlake Drive  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45249  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(513) 554-1110  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the Registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the Registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On May 10, 2018, Phillips Edison & Company, Inc. (the "Company") posted the attached letter to its stockholders on the Company's website, [www.phillipsedison.com](http://www.phillipsedison.com), which includes a recommendation to reject the mini-tender offer received from MacKenzie Realty Capital. A copy of this letter is provided as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description of Exhibit</b>
<a href="#">99.1</a>	<a href="#">Letter to Stockholders dated May 10, 2018</a>

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

PHILLIPS EDISON & COMPANY, INC.

Dated: May 10, 2018

By: /s/ R. Mark Addy

**R. Mark Addy**

*Executive Vice President*



# PHILLIPS EDISON & COMPANY

## RECOMMENDATION TO REJECT THE UNSOLICITED OFFER TO SELL YOUR SHARES TO MACKENZIE REALTY CAPITAL

*If you are considering selling your shares to MacKenzie Realty Capital, please read all of the information below.*

May 10, 2018

Dear Stockholder:

You may soon receive, or may already have received, correspondence from MacKenzie Realty Capital, Inc. (the "Bidder" or "MacKenzie") relating to a mini tender offer to purchase your shares of Phillips Edison & Company ("PECO"). The Bidder's offer price is \$7.09 per share.

***We believe the Bidder's offer price is substantially below the value of your shares and the Board unanimously recommends that you reject this unsolicited offer and not tender your shares of stock.***

***To decline the Bidder's tender offer, simply ignore it.  
You do not need to respond to anything.***

In arriving at our recommendation that you reject the Bidder's tender offer, we considered the following:

- On May 9, 2018, our Board approved the estimated value per share (the "EVPS")<sup>1</sup> of the REIT's common stock of \$11.05. An independent third-party valuation firm prepared a valuation report based on its estimate of the "as is" market value of PECO's portfolio of real estate properties and the estimated value of in-place contracts of its investment management business as of March 31, 2018. These calculations produced an estimated value per share in the range of \$10.35 to \$11.75.
- We believe that the Bidder's offer is meant to take advantage of the illiquidity of our shares by offering to buy your shares at a price significantly below their fair value in order to make a significant profit.
- According to MacKenzie's website, its "core strategy" is to purchase securities "at significant discounts to estimated net asset value" and "invest at prices we estimate to be significantly below current market value of the underlying asset." MacKenzie has acknowledged that, in establishing the purchase price of \$7.09 per share, it is motivated to establish the lowest price which might be acceptable to stockholders, consistent with MacKenzie's objectives.
- PECO currently pays monthly distributions in an annualized amount of \$0.67 per share, which equates to an annualized distribution equal to 6.7% based on the original offering price of \$10.00. Although the Board cannot provide a guarantee that PECO will maintain its rate of distributions in the future, if you sell your shares, you will no longer receive monthly distributions or otherwise have any rights with respect to the shares that you sell, including any appreciation in the value of the stock.
- None of PECO's directors, executive officers, subsidiaries or other affiliates who hold shares intend to tender shares of stock to MacKenzie.

**Please be aware that MacKenzie is in no way affiliated with Phillips Edison & Company.**

**Please be assured that your personal information continues to be held in the same confidence we maintain in all interactions with our stockholders.**

<sup>1</sup> For important information regarding the methodologies, assumptions and limitations of the EVPS please see PECO's Current Report on Form 10-Q, filed with the SEC on 5/10/18, which is available on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

MacKenzie does not have any stockholder information, nor are they able to access our stockholder information, unless you choose to provide them with your information.

We urge you to consult your financial advisor and exercise caution with respect to this and other mini-tender offers. Mini-tender offers are offers to purchase less than 5% of a company's outstanding shares. The SEC has cautioned investors about offers of this nature. Additional information about mini-tender offers is available on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov/investor/pubs/minitend.htm](http://www.sec.gov/investor/pubs/minitend.htm).

In order to avoid the costs of additional mailings, we may post our response to future mini-tender offers at [www.phillipsedison.com/investors](http://www.phillipsedison.com/investors). If you have any questions related to your investment, please contact DST Systems, the transfer agent, at 1-888-518-8073.

We thank you for your investment in Phillips Edison & Company.

Sincerely,

/s/ JEFFREY S. EDISON

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**Jeffrey S. Edison, Chairman of the Board**

**Forward-Looking Statements**

*Certain statements contained in this letter are forward-looking statements, including statements regarding PECO's payment of future distributions. Such statements are subject to known and unknown risks, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this release. PECO makes no representation or warranty (express or implied) about the accuracy of any such forward-looking statements contained in this release, and does not intend, and undertakes no obligation, to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.*