

### Report of Organizational Actions Affecting Basis of Securities

▶ See separate instructions.

**Part I Reporting Issuer**

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| <b>1 Issuer's name</b><br>COLONIAL PROPERTIES TRUST<br>(BY SUCCESSOR: MID AMERICA APARTMENT COMMUNITIES, INC.)         |   | <b>2 Issuer's employer identification number (EIN)</b><br><br>59-7007599                     |                             |
| <b>3 Name of contact for additional information</b><br><br>MARGARET ZOCCOLA  | <b>4 Telephone No. of contact</b><br><br>(901)-682-6600 | <b>5 Email address of contact</b><br><br>MARGARET.ZOCCOLA@MAAC.COM                           |                             |
| <b>6 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) of contact</b><br><br>6584 POPLAR AVE. |   | <b>7 City, town, or post office, state, and Zip code of contact</b><br><br>MEMPHIS, TN 38138 |                             |
| <b>8 Date of action</b><br><br>October 01, 2013  |   | <b>9 Classification and description</b><br><br>Common Stock                                  |                             |
| <b>10 CUSIP number</b><br><br>195872106  | <b>11 Serial number(s)</b>                              | <b>12 Ticker symbol</b><br><br>CLP   | <b>13 Account number(s)</b> |

**Part II Organizational Action** Attach additional statements if needed. See back of form for additional questions.

**14 Describe the organizational action and, if applicable, the date of the action or the date against which shareholders' ownership is measured for the action ▶** On October 01, 2013, Colonial Properties Trust merged with and into Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. (62-1543819) with Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. surviving. Each share of Colonial Properties Trust common stock was exchanged for 0.36 shares of Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. common stock. Cash was paid in lieu of the issuance of fractional shares. The amount of cash paid for the fractional shares was based upon a \$62.6522 per share value.

**15 Describe the quantitative effect of the organizational action on the basis of the security in the hands of a U.S. taxpayer as an adjustment per share or as a percentage of old basis ▶** See Attachment

**16 Describe the calculation of the change in basis and the data that supports the calculation, such as the market values of securities and the valuation dates ▶** Where one Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. share is received in exchange for more than one Colonial Properties Trust share, then the Adjusted Basis must be allocated to the Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. shares (or allocable portions thereof) received in a manner that reflects, to the greatest extent possible, the basis in Colonial Properties Trust shares that were acquired on the same date and at the same price. To the extent it is not possible to allocate the aggregate basis in this manner, the aggregate basis of the Colonial Properties Trust shares surrendered must be allocated to the Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. shares (or allocable portions thereof) received in a manner that minimizes the disparity in the holding periods of the Colonial Properties Trust shares whose basis is allocated to any particular Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. share received. This may cause a share of Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. to have a split basis and split holding period.

**Part II Organizational Action** (continued)

17 List the applicable Internal Revenue Code section(s) and subsection(s) upon which the tax treatment is based ▶  
IRC sections 301(c), 302, 356, 358 and 368(a)

18 Can any resulting loss be recognized? ▶ No loss can be recognized upon the exchange of the Colonial Properties Trust common stock for the shares of Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. common stock. If a taxable loss is calculated on the deemed sale of the fractional share of Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. common stock deemed to have been received in the exchange, this loss can be recognized.

19 Provide any other information necessary to implement the adjustment, such as the reportable tax year ▶ The adjustment to basis would be taken into account in the year of the shareholders during which the merger was effective (e.g. 2013 for calendar year taxpayers).

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature ▶ *Margaret Zoccola* Date ▶ 1.2.14

Print your name ▶ Margaret Zoccola Title ▶ AVP, Director of Federal and State Tax

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|---|----------------------|--------------|---|-----------|
| Print/Type preparer's name                              | Preparer's signature | Date         | Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed         | PTIN      |
| Michael Faris   | <i>Michael Faris</i> | Dec 29, 2013 |   | P00877033 |
| Firm's name ▶   | Firm's EIN ▶         |              | Firm's address ▶  |           |
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Send Form 8937 (including accompanying statements) to: Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service, Ogden, UT 84201-0054

**Colonial Properties Trust**  
**(Successor: Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc.)**  
**59-7007599**  
**Attachment to Form 8937**

**REPORTS OF ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIONS AFFECTING BASIS OF SECURITIES**

**Form 8937 Part II, Box 15:**

The merger of Colonial Properties Trust into Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. qualifies as a tax-free reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended. As a result, and with the exception of the fractional shares redeemed for cash discussed below, no gain or loss is expected to be recognized by the former Colonial Properties Trust shareholders (the "Colonial Shareholders") on the exchange of their Colonial Properties Trust stock to Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. stock.

In general, the Colonial Shareholder's aggregate basis in the Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. shares received in the merger, which for this purpose includes both the actual shares received as well as the fractional shares that are deemed received, is equal to the aggregate basis of Colonial Properties Trust shares surrendered in the merger (the "Adjusted Basis"). In calculating the Adjusted Basis, the Colonial Shareholders would include reductions for the quarterly distributions received during 2013 that would constitute a return of basis under Section 301(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended. As of the time of this filing, the portion of the 2013 quarterly distributions received by the Colonial Shareholders that will be treated as a return of basis is not yet known. Consequently, the Colonial Shareholders must treat the entire amount of their 2013 quarterly distributions as having no effect on Adjusted Basis until a time in which a subsequent Form 8937 is filed to report the amount of the 2013 quarterly distributions that would constitute a return of basis. If such Form 8937 is subsequently filed, the Colonial Shareholders must then revise their calculation of Adjusted Basis as used throughout this filing.

A holder that received cash in lieu of a fractional share of Mid America Apartment Communities, Inc. common stock will be treated as having received such fractional share and then having received such cash in redemption of the fractional share. Such gain or loss will be recognized based on the difference between the amount of the cash received and the portion of the holder's Adjusted Basis of the shares of Colonial Properties Trust exchanged pursuant to the merger which is allocable to such fractional share. Such capital gain or loss will normally be long-term capital gain or loss if the holding period for such share of Colonial Properties Trust common stock was greater than one year as of the date of merger.