

A leveraged lease transaction is one in which a partnership of companies or other taxpayers acquires plant which it leases for a term of years to a lessee and where, by reason of the "leverage" obtained from the borrowing of a substantial non-recourse loan (or a similar arrangement), the members of the partnership are not effectively at risk for any more than a relatively small part of the funds used to acquire the plant. The lenders' security for the substantial amounts lent to acquire the plant is limited to the subject plant or to the rentals payable by the lessee. There are significant tax deferral benefits available to lessor partners in a leveraged lease transaction. The income tax deductions available to the partnership in the early years of the lease by way of depreciation, investment allowance, interest on borrowed moneys etc., are usually greater than the amount of rentals received. Each partner's share of the resultant partnership income tax losses is available for deduction against income that the partner derives outside the partnership. A Master Lease allows you to set up a master set of documents one-time. Then, in subsequent fiscal years, equipment can be added to the original "Master Lease" document (although subject to annual credit review). Dry Lease is a term mostly used in aircraft and marine leasing to describe a lease agreement that provides financing only and, therefore, requires the lessee to separately procure personnel, fuel and provisions necessary to operate the craft.

Sustainability

Sustainability is a term that describes the capacity to endure. Sustainable development advocates resource use that aims to meet human needs and at the same time ensuring the sustainability of natural systems and the environment. The UN Global Compact Management Model represents management thinking for translating the UN Global Compact (a global leadership platform for the development and implementation of responsible and sustainable corporate policies and practices) principles into realistic business practice, based on the belief that by explicitly considering sustainability topics it is possible to widen a company's view on risks and opportunities, thus facilitating longer term value creation.