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Colorado Hotel & Lodging Association Presents
Westin Tabor Center Denver with Inaugural Green Hospitality Award

Nov. 14, 2008, Denver, ... The Colorado Hotel & Lodging Association (CH&LA) presented the Westin Tabor Center Denver with the inaugural Green Hospitality Award at its 70th Annual Conference at The Broadmoor in Colorado Springs, Colo. on Thurs., Oct. 30, 2008.

The Westin Tabor Center Denver has gone beyond the basic "recycle, reuse and reduce" initiative by implementing major green programs throughout the hotel to ensure environmental responsibility. The hotel's green programs were taken into consideration when choosing the Westin Tabor Center Denver for the CH&LA's Green Hospitality Award.

The Westin Tabor Center has executed the following green initiatives:

- Recycling receptacles are available in all guestrooms, meeting rooms and public areas.
- All kitchen, banquet, cafeteria, room service and restaurant food and cardboard and paper goods are put into compost.
- The hotel uses a high percentage of CFL light bulbs (including in all guestrooms, most public space and meeting rooms), along with motion detected light switches in administrative areas.
- A state-of-the-art energy management system has been implemented to balance all HVAC needs and minimize energy waste. The hotel is EnergyStar rated and has seasonally-adjusted electronic thermostats in all guestrooms.
- They encourage all office supplies to be green, supporting the use of recycled materials where applicable. The use of personal water bottles among the staff is promoted and water filters for associates are offered throughout the hotel.

- The hotel offers customers a green meeting program, where guests are able to apply a variety of green initiatives to their meetings to help reduce waste.

The Colorado Hotel & Lodging Association has more than 540 members representing more than 40,000 guestrooms throughout the state of Colorado. CH&LA's member properties include romantic bed and breakfast inns, luxury hotels, affordable motels, Colorado ski resorts, Rocky Mountain cabins, rustic guest ranches, relaxing spas, weekend getaway timeshares, and condominium and vacation rental services, ranging in size from three to 1,600 rooms.

The Colorado Hotel & Lodging Association offers visitors the leading searchable database of travel accommodations and vacation lodging in Colorado, from the plains to the Front Range and from the Rocky Mountains to the Western Slope at www.coloradolodging.com.

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