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**JAKE FISCHER JOINS THE HOTEL GROUP AS REAL ESTATE DIRECTOR
Company plans to increase its hotel holdings 30% by 2010**

June 19, 2007—Edmonds, WA. The Hotel Group (THG), the largest hotel management company in the Pacific Northwest with a portfolio of more than 30 properties, announced that industry veteran Jake Fischer has joined the organization as Real Estate Director. Fischer's principle focus will be to source new acquisitions for THG's Opportunity Fund III and subsequent funds.

Fischer was most recently a Senior Manager in the Development Planning & Feasibility division with Marriott International. Previously he held an Assistant Vice President position with Hotel & Gaming Services at HVS International. Fischer earned his Master of Science degree in Hotel Administration from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from Davidson College in North Carolina.

"Our acquisition strategy is to source full service hotels well below replacement cost with upside potential in operations, transformational renovations and/or lift from upgrading the brand within the first two years of purchase," said Doug Dreher, President, The Hotel Group. "With Jake's expertise ranging from appraising various properties and markets we'll be able to accelerate our rate of growth and act expeditiously when opportunities arise. Though we've purchased eight properties in the last four years, we want to double our acquisition pace in the near term. The addition of Jake to our team will help ensure our success."

About The Hotel Group:

THG and its affiliate currently manage and/or own 31 properties in 11 states and employ over 2,000 people. Since its inception in 1984, THG has managed more than 100 properties in 20 states, directed the design and construction of 30 new hotels, completed \$460 million of asset management assignments for The Resolution Trust Company, and is the sponsor of Hotel Group Opportunity Funds I, II and III. For more information visit www.thehotelgroup.com or call (425) 771-1788.

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