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SHERATON SAN DIEGO HOTEL & MARINA UNVEILS \$27 MILLION RENOVATION

*San Diego's Original Urban Resort Enhances Guest Rooms and Suites with
Modern Coastal Design and Eco-Friendly Upgrades*

SAN DIEGO, CA (March 2009) –Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina (SSDHM), a Starwood Hotels property, has announced the completion of a multi-phased, \$27 million renovation of its 1,000 guest rooms and 53 luxury suites located on Harbor Island, adjacent to the beautiful San Diego Bay. As the first hotel in North America to be largely powered by fuel cell technology, the recent renovation has taken SSDHM to another level of eco-consciousness with the addition of green HVAC cooling/heating controls in each guest room, a recycling program throughout the property, as well as other “green” initiatives being added.

"The Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina is San Diego's premier hotel for meetings and conventions and this update successfully forges a balance between the property's relaxing coastal atmosphere and today's modern necessities," said Dan Schmitzer, director of sales and marketing for the property. "We've created a fresh San Diego experience for our guests who have come for work and pleasure to enjoy the relaxed Southern California spirit in one of the most popular destinations in America."

A leader in the Sheraton hotel family for often being the first to introduce new technology and amenities, the SSDHM was the first hotel in North America to get “off the grid” when it converted to the use of fuel cell technology in 2006 and was also the first Sheraton to introduce the LINK@Sheraton, a unique lobby lounge that creates a sense of community and offers travelers a convenient on-line experience and instant access to information for work, leisure and social networking. With the recent renovation additions and modernizations, SSDHM continues to stay at the forefront of sophisticated design and technological trends.

The new guestrooms are freshly appointed with a classic cool color palette of ocean blue and foam white, complimenting the panoramic ocean and city views spanning from downtown San Diego to the Coronado Bridge. Guests can enjoy the stunning water views from their private balcony, available with every room – a rarity to find in other properties. Each guestroom features solid mahogany furniture, along with crisp white cotton bedding atop the signature Sheraton Sweet Sleep Bed and updated lighting and ergonomic seating create a sleek and comfortable experience for guests. Renovated bathrooms with modern fixtures and famed Bliss bath products offer a calming retreat. Each modern guestroom also contains state-of-the-art technology, including fully automatic refreshment bars, eco-friendly HVAC cooling/heating systems, 32 inch flat-screen LCD TV's and fiber-optic bandwidth and internet connectivity.

The Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina offers 120,000 square feet of events and meeting space, 1,053 guestrooms in two distinctive towers, featuring five restaurants and lounges, three outdoor swimming pools, and Link@ the Sheraton. It is located at 1380 Harbor Island Drive, San Diego, CA 92101. For more information call 619-291-2900 or visit www.sheraton.com/sandiegomarina.

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