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AIRPORT AREA HOTEL COMPLETES MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR RENOVATION AND CONVERTS TO A CROWNE PLAZA AS NEW INDIANAPOLIS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT OPENS.

Indianapolis, IN (December 1, 2008) – General Hotels Corporation, one of Indiana’s largest hotel management companies by number of rooms and hospitality employees, announces the completion of a \$10.5 million dollar renovation on the 271-room Holiday Inn Select Indianapolis Airport hotel and the property’s conversion to a Crowne Plaza hotel. The extensive renovation includes the atrium lobby, guest rooms, guest baths, function space, food and beverage outlets as well as exterior lighting and landscaping. The name conversion takes effect December 1, 2008. With the addition of the new Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport, there will be two Crowne Plaza hotels representing 550 guestrooms in the state of Indiana. The Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport hotel will complement the existing Crowne Plaza Hotel at Historic Union Station located at 123 West Louisiana Street in downtown Indianapolis.

“The addition of the Crowne Plaza brand to the new Indianapolis International Airport area is significant for both guests and planners,” said Jim Dora, Jr., president and chief executive officer, General Hotels Corporation. “This conversion allows us to capitalize on the Crowne Plaza brand positioning to better target and serve business travelers and the professional meetings market with an upscale hotel that offers great meeting space, stylishly modern guest rooms, spacious public areas, a terrific location and a superb level of service.”

Located near the new Indianapolis International Airport, just nine miles from downtown Indianapolis, the hotel offers 271 guest rooms. Among the highlights of the Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport are its guestrooms featuring a host of top amenities, unique meeting space, an indoor pool, fitness center and business center, wireless and wired high speed Internet access throughout the hotel, as well as a new restaurant, lounge and coffee shop.

“We look forward to offering guests new property enhancements and an unparalleled level of service, as well as offerings such as the Crowne Plaza Sleep Advantage and the Crowne Plaza Better Bath Experience,” said Mark Pongonis, the hotel’s general manager. “In addition to these enhancements, guests will experience upgraded services including a doorman, a concierge to accommodate Priority Club check-ins and provide guest assistance; and an executive level lounge featuring breakfast, evening cocktail hour, snacks and a business center.”

The \$10.5 million renovation lends itself to enhancements throughout the property including renovations and improvements to the building exterior, meeting space, atrium lobby, restaurant, lounge, guest rooms and bathrooms.

The Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport features the newly introduced Crowne Plaza Sleep Advantage program in all guestrooms. The Sleep Advantage program encompasses the entire sleep experience, from training staff on how to create and maintain a restful environment to providing innovative products and services. Program components include new bedding, guaranteed wake-up calls, designated quiet zones, night lights, drape clips, sleep CDs, sleep tips and amenities such as eye masks, ear plugs and lavender spray.

Consistent with the Crowne Plaza brand, the hotel offers a comprehensive meetings package to ensure a seamless planning process and exceptional meeting experience consisting of three key components: a Two-Hour Response Guarantee, Crowne Meetings Director and a Meetings Daily Debrief. With over 22,000-sq. ft. of meeting space including a ballroom, executive boardroom, symposium and amphitheatre along with 10 additional meeting rooms, the Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport provides the perfect venue for business meetings and social functions.

The hotel’s new restaurant, The Landing, offers American cuisine in a casually elegant atmosphere. The Landing serves breakfast, lunch and dinner daily. A Cup Above Coffee Bar and Bakery proudly pours Starbucks coffee and features a variety of fresh daily baked breakfast breads. The hotel’s Outer Marker Lounge offers adult beverages in relaxing yet sophisticated surroundings.

Opened as a Holiday Inn and later converted to a Holiday Inn Select, the hotel is just off Sam Jones Expressway and I465, minutes from the new Indianapolis International Airport and downtown Indianapolis. The property, which is operated by General Hotels Corporation, under a license agreement with InterContinental Hotels Group, is located at 2501 South High School Road, Indianapolis, IN.; Telephone: (317) 244-6861; Facsimile: (317) 243-1074; website: www.crowneplaza.com/ind-airport.

General Hotels Corporation is an Indianapolis based hotel management company with a reputation for progressive and successful management. General Hotels Corporation operates 11 hotels located throughout the state. In Indianapolis these properties include Crowne Plaza at Historic Union Station, Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport, Holiday Inn North at the Pyramids, Holiday Inn East, Homewood Suites by Hilton-Keystone at the Crossing and Holiday Inn Express South. Additionally, General Hotels Corporation operates Homewood Suites by Hilton and Hampton Inn in Lafayette, Courtyard by Marriott in Kokomo and Holiday Inn and SpringHill Suites by Marriott in Terre Haute. Visit www.genhotels.com for more information.

The Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport participates in Priority Club Rewards, the world's first and most global hotel loyalty program spanning more than 3,600 hotels in nearly 100 countries. Members earn their choice of points toward free hotel nights or merchandise, or earn frequent flyer miles with more than 40 domestic and international airline partners. Enrollment in Priority Club Rewards is free. Guests enroll online at www.priorityclub.com, by calling 1-888-211-9874 or at the front desk of any Crowne Plaza hotel.

As part of the InterContinental Hotels Group global portfolio, Crowne Plaza Hotels & Resorts has 243 hotels in 48 countries, and are located in major urban centers, gateway cities and resort destinations. For reservations at Crowne Plaza properties, visit www.crowneplaza.com or call 1-800-2CROWNE.

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