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**EMBASSY SUITES DENVER-DOWNTOWN/CONVENTION CENTER
ACHIEVES LEED® SILVER CERTIFIED STATUS**

Embassy Suites Denver-Downtown/Convention Center is first within the Embassy Suites Hotels brand and the first hotel in Denver to be LEED Silver certified recognizing its commitment to green building and operations

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DENVER – The Embassy Suites Denver-Downtown/Convention Center announced today that the hotel is now LEED Silver certified. The prestigious LEED certification recognizes the proactive efforts the owners, management team and construction partners made to design, build and operate a more efficient, green hotel in the heart of downtown Denver.

The upscale, all-suites Embassy Suites Denver-Downtown/Convention Center is the first within the Embassy Suites Hotels brand and the only hotel in the City of Denver to have earned this prestigious certification, established by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) and verified by the Green Building Certification Institute (GBCI).

“We are proud that the hard work and decisions made by the team have resulted in the stringent LEED certification at the Silver level,” said Bill Upshaw, President and COO of Windsor Management Services, which manages the hotel. “The owners, the builders, the management team and the brand team were united in wanting to build and operate a green hotel, which offers important benefits including lower operating costs, increased property value and, most importantly, a healthier and safer environment for the enjoyment of our guests and employees.”

“Earning our place as a partner in the Denver community has been a priority for us,” said Robert Kisabeth, General Manager of the Embassy Suites Denver-Downtown/Convention Center. “And this LEED certification shows our commitment to being a responsible steward of Denver’s resources. We consciously built a hotel that consumes less energy and water and produces fewer emissions. We also purchase environmentally-friendly cleaning products and have a comprehensive recycling program in place.”

Specifically, the hotel proactively recycled scrap materials produced during construction, incorporated into the new construction the concrete from the multi-story parking garage that was previously on the site, placed solar reflective

material on the roof to reduce heat transmission and lower the energy required to cool the building, used rapidly renewing materials such as bamboo and placed an energy efficient glazing on all windows to reduce heat transmission and reduce the energy needed to cool the building.

All plumbing, mechanical equipment and lighting systems were selected to conserve water and use less energy. The hotel was planned to maximize use of public transportation and provides preferred parking for low-emitting and fuel-efficient vehicles. Bicycle storage and a changing room are on site. The hotel is operated in a manner using “Green Housekeeping Practices” and efficient recycling practices.

“With each new LEED-certified building, we get one step closer to USGBC’s vision of a sustainable built environment within a generation,” said Rick Fedrizzi, President, CEO and Founding Chair, U.S. Green Building Council. “As the newest member of the LEED-certified family of green buildings, the Embassy Suites Denver-Downtown/Convention Center is an important addition to the growing strength of the green building movement.”

The hotel was built by WPM Construction and is owned by WMB IX, LLC.

The Embassy Suites Denver-Downtown/Convention Center has 403 guest suites and 14 meeting rooms, totaling more than 25,000 square feet of meeting and banquet space just steps away from the Colorado Convention Center. The property features Embassy Suites’ signature flowing water feature and rich organic Atrium accompanied by a soaring 13-story glass “Sky Curtain” allowing in abundant natural light. The hotel amenities include Elements Restaurant and Bar, Starbucks, plans for an additional leased restaurant, a state-of-the-art fitness facility, indoor pool, business center and full valet service with onsite parking. It is managed by Windsor Management Services, the hotel management company of WCG Hotels.

For more information or to plan your trip, visit www.DenverDowntown.EmbassySuites.com.

ABOUT WINDSOR MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Windsor Management Services, a subsidiary of WCG Hotels, is an award winning, comprehensive hospitality management and development organization that manages full-service, upscale hotel properties throughout the United States. With more than 30 years of experience to call on, Windsor Management Services is known for unmatched results for its owners and unparalleled service for its guests delivered with a personal connection.

For more information visit windsoragementservices.com or wcghotels.com. Additionally, please contact Bill Upshaw, President & Chief Operating Officer or Craig Stechman, Senior Vice President-Sales & Marketing at 310-566-1100.

U.S. Green Building Council

The Washington, D.C.-based U.S. Green Building Council is committed to a prosperous and

sustainable future for our nation through cost-efficient and energy-saving green buildings. With a community comprising 78 local affiliates, nearly 16,000 member companies and organizations, and nearly 167,000 LEED Professional Credential holders, USGBC is the driving force of an industry that is projected to contribute \$554 billion to the U.S. gross domestic product from 2009-2013. USGBC leads an unlikely diverse constituency of builders and environmentalists, corporations and nonprofit organizations, elected officials and concerned citizens, and teachers and students.

Buildings in the United States are responsible for 39% of CO2 emissions, 40% of energy consumption, 13% water consumption and 15% of GDP per year, making green building a source of significant economic and environmental opportunity. Greater building efficiency can meet 85% of future U.S. demand for energy, and a national commitment to green building has the potential to generate 2.5 million American jobs.

LEED

The U.S. Green Building Council's LEED green building certification system is the foremost program for the design, construction and operation of green buildings. Nearly 40,000 projects are currently participating in the commercial and institutional LEED rating systems, comprising nearly 8 billion square feet of construction space in all 50 states and 120 countries. In addition, more than 11,000 homes have been certified under the LEED for Homes rating system, with more than 52,000 more homes registered.

By using less energy, LEED-certified buildings save money for families, businesses and taxpayers; reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and contribute to a healthier environment for residents, workers and the larger community.

For more information, visit www.usgbc.org.