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## **THE PHILADELPHIA AIRPORT MARRIOTT GOES GREEN**

**\*\*Hotel Is Green Certified by Green Seal®\*\***

Philadelphia, PA - July 10, 2008 - The Philadelphia Airport Marriott has been Green Certified by Green Seal, an organization recognized by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, it was announced today by Ms. Sandy LeBlanc, General Manager. This hotel is the only property in Philadelphia to have this certification.

In order to receive the certification, the hotel had to undergo an inspection and meet a checklist of criteria which included procedures like environmental compliance, waste minimalization and recycling, bulk product purchasing, use of energy efficient equipment, utilization of compact fluorescent bulbs, indoor air quality measurements, use of water conservation fixtures, use of organic insecticides, non-toxic paints used throughout, etc.

### **GREEN SEAL® CERTIFICATION**

Green Seal is an independent non-profit organization dedicated to safeguarding the environment and transforming the marketplace by promoting the manufacture, purchase, and use of environmentally responsible products and services.

According to Green Seal, the lodging industry in the U.S. encompasses more than 50,000 properties (with 15 rooms or more). The average hotel purchases more products in one week than

100 families will purchase in one year. A hotel is a microcosm of the built environment, in which purchasing decisions impact energy use, water use and emissions created. The lodging industry has an impact on most major environmental issues.

Green Seal's Environmental Standard for Lodging Properties (GS-33) has been instrumental in greening the lodging industry and creating a positive ROI for hotels that have implemented the recommended changes.

Green Seal's evaluations are based on state-of-the-art science and information using internationally recognized methods and procedures. To earn the coveted Green Seal a product must meet the Green Seal environmental standard for the category as demonstrated by rigorous evaluation, testing and an on-site visit.

Green Seal is recognized by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

#### **ABOUT THE PHILADELPHIA AIRPORT MARRIOTT**

For business and leisure travelers to Philadelphia, no hotel offers more convenience than the Philadelphia Airport Marriott. The hotel is connected to Terminal B via skybridge, making it easy to catch an early morning flight or to relax quickly upon arrival at the Riverbend Bar & Grill. The hotel's beautifully appointed rooms and suites offer guests a host of amenities and unmatched comfort. Business guests will enjoy high-speed Internet, spacious work areas, and ample amounts of meeting space to ensure a productive visit. All guests are assured a good night's rest with the Marriott Revive bed and luxurious bed linens. Other amenities of this Philly hotel include a fully equipped fitness center and event facilities that double as wedding reception venues.

The Philadelphia Airport Marriott hotel is located near Lincoln Financial Field, Citizens Bank Park, the Wachovia Complex, and ten miles from downtown Philadelphia and the Pennsylvania Convention Center. Parking is available on-site for a fee.

For more information about the Philadelphia Airport Marriott, visit [PhiladelphiaAirportMarriott.com](http://PhiladelphiaAirportMarriott.com)