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Embassy Suites Chicago-Downtown Completes \$9.0 Million Renovation

CHICAGO, April __, 2011—Davidson Hotel Company, one of the nation’s largest independent hotel management companies, today announced that the 367-suite Embassy Suites Chicago-Downtown in Illinois has completed a \$12.3 million renovation. Davidson has managed the hotel since June 1, 2010, on behalf of owners, Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. Sunstone oversaw the project; Design Force of Denver, Colo., was the design firm for the renovation.

“The renovation has enhanced the overall guest experience of this exceptionally located hotel,” said Patrick Lupsha, Davidson’s chief operating officer. “All guest suites were completely renovated, including new case goods, state-of-the-art workstations, carpeting, wall coverings, two flatscreen televisions per suite and bathrooms. We are confident that the significant capital investment, coupled with our expertise in the Chicago market, will establish the Embassy Suites Chicago-Downtown as the leading upscale, all-suite destination in the market.”

“Chicago is a town with an incredible architectural heritage, which made this project all the more interesting and challenging,” said Roxanne Fancy, president, Design Force. “In

addition to guest suite interiors, we installed new carpeting, wall coverings, contrasting paint on doors and light sconces in the guest corridors. All aspects of the renovation complement the bold and self-assured style for which Chicago is well known.”

Located at 600 North State Street, in the heart of downtown Chicago, the upscale, all-suite hotel is convenient to Michigan Avenue’s Magnificent Mile, Loyola University, Navy Pier, American Girl Place, and Lincoln Park Zoo. The 11-story atrium hotel also is near Boeing Headquarters, City Hall and Chicago Board of Trade.

The Embassy Suites Chicago-Downtown features an indoor, heated swimming pool; two onsite dining options—Osteria Via Stato and Pizzeria Via Stato; 6,000 square feet of flexible meeting space that can accommodate groups ranging from 10 to 300; 24-hour business center; fully equipped fitness center; and Embassy’s hallmark complimentary, cooked-to-order breakfast and evening manager’s reception. Guest suites offer one or two private bedrooms with contemporary furnishings, armoires, spacious living rooms, high speed wireless Internet access, 32” flat panel bedroom television, 40” flat panel suite television, and a state-of-the-art workstation.

About Design Force

Design Force offers a suite of services which guarantee a total project cost with reliability and integrity. The company’s unique streamlined process allows for prompt reaction to product/logistical issues when compared to the traditional purchasing model. Design Force’s expansive portfolio encompasses new developments, renovations and adaptive re-use properties varying in scale and type. For additional information, visit Design Force’s Web site at <http://www.designforcecorp.com>.

About Davidson

Headquartered in Memphis, Tenn., Davidson Hotel Company is an award-winning, full-service hotel management company that provides management, development/renovation, acquisition, consulting and accounting expertise for the hospitality industry. The company's portfolio encompasses 48 upscale, full-service independent and branded hotels with more than 13,500 rooms across the United States, including such affiliations as Embassy Suites, Hilton, Doubletree, Hilton Garden Inn, Westin, Sheraton, Hyatt, Marriott, Renaissance, Courtyard by Marriott, Radisson and Crowne Plaza. Additional information on Davidson may be found at the company's Web site, www.davidsonhotels.com.

About Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc.

Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. is a lodging real estate investment trust (REIT) that owns 33 hotels comprised of 13,457 rooms. Sunstone's hotels are primarily in the upper upscale segment and are generally operated under nationally recognized brands, such as Marriott, Fairmont, Hilton, Hyatt and Starwood. For further information, visit Sunstone's Web site at www.sunstonehotels.com.