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**Hotel Managed by The Hamister Group, Inc. Honored for Outstanding Service
*Sleep Inn & Suites in Lebanon, TN earns prestigious award***

LEBANON, TENNESSEE – The Hamister Group, Inc., a leading hospitality management company, today announced that the Sleep Inn & Suites in Lebanon, Tennessee has received a 2008-2009 Gold Hospitality Award from Choice Hotels International. The hotel is managed by The Hamister Group, Inc.

The award is presented to the top high-performing properties within the more than 5,800-property Choice system. The Sleep Inn & Suites in Lebanon ranked within the top ten percent of all Sleep-branded properties in the Choice Hotels annual ranking.

In making the announcement, Steve Joyce, President and CEO for Choice Hotels, noted the Sleep Inn's focus on guest satisfaction and dedication to providing superior service.

"This hotel's commitment to outstanding guest service has earned it this well-deserved recognition as one of the best of the best within the Sleep brand."

Joyce's sentiments were echoed by Mark E. Hamister, Chairman and CEO of The Hamister Group, Inc.

"Our company is built upon our collective belief that caring for our guests is our privilege," he said. "I want to thank and congratulate our team at the Sleep Inn & Suites for living that message day in and day out."

The Sleep Inn & Suites, located just 15 miles from downtown Nashville, features a combination of double and king-sized rooms and suites. Guests enjoy free high-speed wireless Internet access, complimentary deluxe continental breakfast, a video conference system, free parking, a fitness center, and an indoor swimming pool. The hotel has been managed by The Hamister Group since 2005.

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