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**The Hamister Group, Inc. Ranked Among Nation's Top Hotel Managers**  
*Company manages over 900 hotel rooms in three states*

BUFFALO, NEW YORK – The Hamister Group, Inc., a leader in the healthcare and hospitality industries, was included among the top 100 hotel management companies in the United States by *Hotel & Motel Management*, a leading trade publication. This marks the company's first appearance on the list.

With properties in Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Kentucky, The Hamister Group, Inc. manages a total of more than 900 hotel rooms with 2008 revenues of more than \$17 million. The company's hotels are affiliated with some of the most recognized names in the hospitality industry, including Hilton and Marriott.

"We are extremely proud of the growth and success we have achieved in our hospitality businesses," said Mark E. Hamister, Chairman and CEO, The Hamister Group, Inc. "We entered the hotel management business armed with the lessons we learned from our earliest days in the healthcare industry. In healthcare, our focus was to operate our assisted living facilities like full-service hotels with a healthcare component and to provide our residents with the highest quality service and care possible. That same approach translates very well into hotel management."

Since its initial foray into hotel management, The Hamister Group, Inc. has quickly established a strong reputation for quality operations and customer service. In fact, one Hamister-managed property – a Sleep Inn & Suites in Lebanon, Tennessee – was recently awarded a 2008-2009 Gold Hospitality Award from Choice Hotels International, which is awarded to the top-performing hotels within the more than 5,800-property Choice system. Last year, Marriott awarded the company's Fairfield Inn & Suites with its top award for innovative renovation results.

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The Hamister Group, Inc. is a leader in healthcare and hotel management, with over 30 years of experience and a solid management portfolio in the eastern United States. The company has a proven record of superior management results and today employs nearly 1,000 co-workers at its facilities in New York, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Kentucky. The hotels and healthcare businesses managed by The Hamister Group, Inc. consistently achieve the highest honors in guest satisfaction and operations excellence. For more information, visit [www.hamistergroup.com](http://www.hamistergroup.com).