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## **HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES MODESTO WINS THE IHG 2009 QUALITY EXCELLENCE AWARD**

ATLANTA (November 14, 2009) – Holiday Inn Express & Suites Modesto hotel has received the InterContinental Hotels Group (IHG) [LON: IHG, NYSE: IHG (ADRs)] 2009 Quality Excellence Award, given to hotels achieving distinction in all aspects of their operations. IHG is the world's largest hotel group by number of rooms.

The Holiday Inn Express & Suites Modesto is one of 107 properties selected from the company's more than 4,300 hotels in recognition of overall quality excellence.

The hotel was recognized during the 2009 IHG Americas Investors & Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C., November 11-13, 2009. An ownership representative of the Holiday Inn Express & Suites Modesto served as an acceptor of the award.

"I am pleased to honor the Holiday Inn Express & Suites Modesto with the Quality Excellence Award," said Jim Abrahamson, president, the Americas, IHG. "Winners in this category demonstrate the highest standards in product quality, hotel operation and customer satisfaction."

More than 2,000 franchise owners, operators and company officials attended the 2009 IHG Americas Investors & Leadership Conference.

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### **Notes to Editors:**

*InterContinental Hotels Group (IHG) [LON:IHG, NYSE:IHG (ADRs)] is the world's largest hotel group by number of rooms. IHG owns, manages, leases or franchises, through various subsidiaries, over 4,300 hotels and almost 630,000 guest rooms in nearly 100 countries and territories around the world. The Group owns a portfolio of well recognized and respected hotel brands including InterContinental® Hotels & Resorts, Hotel Indigo®, Crowne Plaza® Hotels & Resorts, Holiday Inn® Hotels and Resorts, Holiday Inn Express®, Staybridge Suites® and Candlewood Suites®, and also manages the world's largest hotel loyalty program, Priority Club® Rewards, with 44 million members worldwide.*

*IHG has nearly 1,600 hotels in its development pipeline, which will create 140,000 jobs worldwide over the next few years.*

*InterContinental Hotels Group PLC is the Group's holding company and is incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales.*

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