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**B. F. Saul Company – Hotel Division Recognized by Marriott International
Wins Annual “Spirit to Preserve” Award**

Bethesda, MD (May 20, 2009) –. The B. F. Saul Company – Hotel Division was honored with Marriott International’s “Spirit to Preserve” Award at the company’s annual franchisee owner’s conference in Orlando on May 4, 2009. This is the inaugural year of the award and it represents a significant achievement. B. F. Saul Company owns and operates seven Marriott hotels. Marriott International leads the hospitality industry in the area of social responsibility and sustainability. The company’s environmental focus “Spirit to Preserve” builds on a long history of energy conservation experience and results. The award ceremony was attended by Arne Sorenson, President and Chief Operating Officer and J. W. Marriott Jr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Marriott International.

Marriott International presented this year’s recognition to Mr. Mark Carrier, Sr. Vice President of the B. F. Saul Company for their comprehensive effort to address sustainability through their “Our Big Green” Program. Carrier states, “our company truly believes it is our social responsibility to preserve our environment,” adding, “each of our team members embrace our sustainability plan which

emphasizes three core principles: Conserve, Recycle and Act Now.” Carrier adds, “we have a lot of fun with the program and our team members are energized.” The company even created a mascot, appropriately named “OBG,” whose entertaining and passionate approach helps to motivate team members and associates. OBG also helps promote the organization’s green practices in their community through appearances at local schools, public and civic events. The companies Big Green pledge is as follows:

Our Big Green Pledge:

We are committed to the preservation and improvement of the environment for the benefit of our guests, fellow team members and home communities. We will:

1. Conserve Our Resources!
2. Reduce Waste and Recycle!
3. Act Now! Learn and Lead!

Each team member is responsible to practice **Our Big Green** every day.

The B. F. Saul Company – Hotel Division based in Bethesda, MD, represents a collection of hotels located in MD, VA, MI and FL which serve both business and leisure guests seeking first class hotel accommodations, meeting facilities and banquet venues. To learn more about the B. F. Saul Company Hotel Division go to www.bfsaulhotels.com.

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