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Los Angeles Convention Center

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30,000 AT NATURALIZATION CEREMONIES, OVER 200 AT CREATIVE ARTS BALL & 60TH PRIME TIME EMMY AWARDS GOVERNORS BALL PRESS EVENT, AND NEARLY 2,000 ATTENDEES AT THE APARTMENT OWNER ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
The Los Angeles Convention Center services three diverse events welcoming nearly 32,200 patrons in a single day

September 11th, 2008 (Los Angeles, CA)—The Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC) today welcomed and serviced nearly 32,200 patrons as they came in and out at various locations and simultaneously throughout the day. The highlighted events for the day were the Naturalization ceremony services held three times during the day brining in over 30,000 citizens-to-be and their guests taking up the entire use of South Hall “H” and “J”. In the early evening, West Hall “A” was converted into an elegant ballroom to give way to the Creative Arts Ball & 60th Prime time Emmy Awards Governors Ball press event where over 200 media representatives and special guests were in attendance. West Hall B had an exhibition-like set up and environment in order to welcome the Apartment Owner Association of Southern California Convention hosting nearly 2,000 guests.

“Our focus is to service diverse clients at a World Class level so that each and every event is nothing less than a success,” Pouria Abbassi, P.E., General Manager & CEO, Los Angeles Convention Center. “We not only focus on flawless event coordination and the ebb and flow of patrons throughout our vast lobbies and hallways, we also attend to the influx and exiting of their respective vehicles at the various parking areas throughout our facility. And we are proud to do this day in and day out with safety and quality in mind first,” added Abbassi.

“We open our 11 public food outlets depending on the number of guests on-site. Today, we opened up nearly all our cafes and restaurants in order to service the demand of patrons seeking to satisfy their appetites during the day, while hosting a banquet style sit down dinner into the night,” stated Duane Gornicki, Food Services Division, Los Angeles Convention Center.

About the Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC)

The Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC) is one of the most technologically advanced convention and exhibition centers in the world. LACC attracts over 2.5 million annual visitors and is renowned internationally as a prime site for conventions, trade shows and exhibitions. With its towering emerald architectural design, the LACC is a well recognized Los Angeles landmark. An integral economic component to the Southern California area, total sales from client secondary spending tops \$1.1 billion annually, generating and sustaining over 12,000 local jobs. LACC is a model environmental-friendly facility. Its solar panels are capable of meeting the electricity needs of an estimated 100 homes, and it’s recycling, energy efficiency, and water conservation programs help to conserve the environment. LACC is enrolled in the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power’s (LADWP) Green Power Program (environmentally-friendly renewable energy resources such as hydroelectric, geothermal, solar, biomass, and wind energy) at a level of 30% of the facilities consumption. The Los Angeles Convention Center is registered with the United States Green Building Council (USGBC) as a member of the Los Angeles and National Chapter and holds the prestigious USGBC LEED certification for existing buildings. LACC is also a proud recipient of prestigious environmental and industry awards including several Planner’s Choice Awards presented by Meeting News magazine, multiple Prime Site Awards from the Facilities and Destinations magazine, recognition for model emergency care programs, and was invited to partner with the Environmental Protection Agency’s National earth conscious WasteWise Program. For more information about the Los Angeles Convention Center, please call (213) 741-1151, ext. 5319 or visit www.lacclink.com.

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