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**WHITE LODGING APPOINTS SCOTT BLALOCK TO GENERAL MANAGER OF  
THE INDIANAPOLIS MARRIOTT DOWNTOWN HOTEL**

MERRILLVILLE, IN (April 21, 2008) – **White Lodging** has announced the appointment of **Scott Blalock** as the new general manager of the 622-room **Indianapolis Marriott Downtown Hotel** (350 W. Maryland St.). Most recently, Blalock served as a regional vice president of operations for the company, overseeing multiple properties located in the Chicago area including downtown, Midway Airport, surrounding suburbs and hotels in Northwest Indiana.

As general manager of the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown, Blalock will oversee day-to-day operations at the city's largest hotel located in the heart of downtown Indianapolis, connected to the Indiana Convention Center and RCA Dome. Since its opening in 2001, the hotel has been recognized with honors such as the AAA Four Diamond Award, the Pinnacle Award from Successful Meetings Magazine, and Meeting and Convention's Magazine distinguished Gold Key Award.

"I look forward to leading the efforts of this award-winning hotel and to continue carrying on the long-held tradition of guest satisfaction excellence," says Blalock. "This established team of 375 associates live the Marriott spirit to serve each and every day," he adds.

An 18 year veteran with Marriott International, Blalock has held a variety of positions including a stint as general manager of the Marriott Rancho Las Palmas Resort & Spa in California, regional vice president of Lodging Management for Marriott's South Central region, and numerous posts in both sales and room operations. Blalock holds a bachelors degree of business administration in marketing from Southwest Texas State University.

**ABOUT WHITE LODGING**

Established in 1985 and headquartered in Merrillville, IN, White Lodging is a fully integrated developer, owner and manager of premium brand hotels – a recognized leader that consistently delivers superior leading brand hotel experiences and premium returns on investment among mid-to-large scale hotels across the country. With over 20 years of expertise and future development projects of \$1.5 billion over the next five years, White Lodging continues to break ground as one of the fastest growing independent hospitality companies in the country. Their managed portfolio of 129 hotels in seventeen states encompasses representation of the following leading brands: Marriott; Residence Inn by Marriott, Courtyard by Marriott, Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott; SpringHill Suites by Marriott; Renaissance; Radisson Hotels; Intercontinental Hotel Group; Hilton Garden Inn, Homewood Suites, Embassy Suites and Starwood. For more information about White Lodging Services, visit [www.whitelodging.com](http://www.whitelodging.com).

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