

# Tennessee Green Hospitality

## Sample Press Clippings

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### PROGRAM LAUNCHED

#### **Chattanooga Launches Green Lodging Certification Program**

7/31/2009 By Glenn Hasek, Green Lodging News

Every green lodging program has a visionary or champion and in Chattanooga's case that person is **Tom Cupo, general manager of The Chattanooga, a Benchmark Hospitality International property**. Cupo hatched the idea for the local Green Lodging Program, borrowed some ideas from other programs—primarily Virginia Green Lodging—and got the program rolling with the support of the region's lodging association and CVB.

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### EARLY CERTIFICATIONS IN CHATTANOOGA

#### **Courtyard and Residence Inn Downtown Chattanooga Hotels Earn Green Lodging Certification**

(CHATTANOOGA, TN – 02/18/10) McKibbon Hotel Management, Inc. of Tampa, Florida has announced that two of its managed properties, the Courtyard by Marriott Downtown Chattanooga and the Residence Inn by Marriott Downtown Chattanooga, have been certified as "Green Lodges" by the Chattanooga Green Lodging Program.

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### CHATTANOOGA GREEN HOSPITALITY RECIEVES GOVERNOR'S AWARD



2010 Governor's Award for Excellence in Pollution Prevention

#### **Chattanooga Green Lodging Certification Program**

Hamilton County

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**CHATTANOOGA GREEN LODGING BECOMES TENNESSEE GREEN  
HOSPITALITY**



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TENNESSEE HOSPITALITY ASSOCIATION ADOPTS AWARD-WINNING GREEN HOSPITALITY  
CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – The Tennessee Hospitality Association is making the “Tennessee Green Hospitality” certification program available statewide, TnHA officials announced today. **“We already knew that this program was perfect for us to adopt statewide,” said Bill Mish, president of the Tennessee Hospitality Association.** ... This voluntary program has been very successful in Chattanooga, and we look forward to advancing the environmental achievements of the statewide hospitality industry in the same manner.”

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**LODGING CERTIFICATION EXPANDS TO ATTRACTIONS AND  
RESTAURANTS**

**Tennessee Aquarium Earns TN Green Hospitality Certification**

Chattanooga, Tenn. (April 14, 2011) – The Tennessee Aquarium recently earned the Tennessee Green Hospitality Certification, becoming one of the first major tourist attractions in the state to achieve this designation.... “We are very proud of this green certification,” said the Aquarium’s education director Tim Baker. “It serves as both a benchmark for our current sustainable practices and a roadmap for continued environmental improvement.”

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**CERTIFICATION EXPANDS TO STATE PARKS**

**The Inn at Fall Creek Falls State Park Receives Green Certification**

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*Certification by the Tennessee Hospitality Association Shows Inn's Commitment to Sustainability*

**PIKEVILLE, Tenn.** – Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation Commissioner Bob Martineau and Deputy Commissioner Brock Hill announced today that the Inn at Fall Creek Falls State Park has been certified as a “Tennessee Green Hospitality” facility by the Tennessee Hospitality Association.