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MONTEREY PLAZA HOTEL & SPA NAMED BEST OF THE WEST 2009

Hotel Voted Favorite Meeting Site by Meetings Media Magazine Readers around the Country

MONTEREY, Calif. – June 8, 2009 – Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa was named Best of the West 2009 in the Favorite Meeting Site category. The vote was an online poll taken by Meetings Media's magazine subscribers and others in the meeting planning field, and included hundreds of successful meeting sites from 14 western states and Western Canada.

The properties were judged on the quality of meetings spaces, guest rooms, guest services and amenities, food and beverage service, high-tech services and equipment, recreational facilities and activities, the efficiency and helpfulness of staff and overall value and experience.

The Best of the West 2009 is an honor to receive for any meetings and convention site, and reaffirms the level of quality and service established by Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa becoming a recipient of the Mobil Travel Guide Four Star rating earlier in the year.

Meetings Media offers some of the top magazines in the country for individual, association and corporate meeting planners and has an estimated 98,462 subscribers around the country through their Meetings West, South, East, Midwest and Focus publications. Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa will be featured along with other category winners in the August 2009 edition of the *Meetings West* magazine.

For more information on the Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa, please visit www.montereyplazahotel.com.

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About the Monterey Plaza Hotel and Spa

The Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa is a proud member of Woodside Hotels & Resorts Group and is located in Monterey, CA. For reservations or event bookings, please call (831) 646-1700 or visit www.montereyplazahotel.com.