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Red Lion Hotels Corporation Announces Stock Repurchase Program

SPOKANE, WA, November 26, 2008 - Red Lion Hotels Corporation (NYSE: RLH) today announced that its Board of Directors has authorized a common stock repurchase program that enables the Company to purchase up to \$10 million of its common stock.

Any stock repurchases will be made from time to time through open market purchases, block purchases or privately negotiated transactions deemed appropriate by the Company. The timing and actual number of shares repurchased will depend on a variety of factors including price, corporate and regulatory requirements and other market conditions. The Company is not obligated to repurchase any shares of stock under the plan, and the Company may terminate the stock repurchase plan at any time.

About Red Lion Hotels Corporation:

Red Lion Hotels Corporation is a hospitality and leisure company primarily engaged in the ownership, operation and franchising of upscale and midscale hotels under its Red Lion® brand. As of September 30, 2008, the RLH hotel network was comprised of 47 hotels located in nine states and one Canadian province, with 8,910 rooms and 437,626 square feet of meeting space. The company also owns and operates an entertainment and event ticket distribution business. For more information, please visit the company's website at www.redlion.com.

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of federal securities law, including statements concerning plans, objectives, goals, strategies, projections of future events or performance and underlying assumptions (many of which are based, in turn, upon further assumptions). The forward-looking statements in this press release are inherently subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed. Such risks and uncertainties include, among others, economic cycles; international conflicts; changes in future demand and supply for hotel rooms; competitive conditions in the lodging industry; relationships with franchisees and properties; impact of government regulations; ability to obtain financing; changes in energy, healthcare, insurance and other operating expenses; ability to sell non-core assets; ability to locate lessees for rental property; dependency upon the ability and experience of executive officers and ability to retain or replace such officers as well as other matters discussed in the company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 and in other documents filed by the company with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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