



Delta Hotels Expands Green Initiatives with Hybrid Heating

Partnership with Sempa Power reduces GHG emissions at Delta Whistler Village Suites by 45 per cent

VANCOUVER – JUNE 16, 2008 – After reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 45 per cent at the Delta Whistler Village Suites, Sempa Power Systems Ltd., the developer of the Sempa Hybrid Heating System™, is proud to announce that it has been contracted to install its patent-pending technology at the Delta Sun Peaks Resort and Delta Winnipeg.

Since installing the hybrid heating system in January 2008, Delta Whistler Village Suites has experienced a 45 per cent reduction in greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, cutting the hotel's carbon footprint by approximately 250 tonnes. On average, Sempa users have experienced a 10 to 30 per cent reduction in GHG levels.

"Delta Hotels is committed to making all of our properties greener and to reducing our impacts on the environment," said Gordon Johnson, Regional Vice President, BC region, Delta Hotels. "Our partnership with Sempa Power has had dramatic results and we're happy to be extending the program."

In addition to the dramatic GHG emissions reductions, the hybrid heating system has cut the hotel's energy expenses by \$70,000, a 30 per cent reduction in total energy costs. The system also has reduced the overall energy consumption at the hotel by 10 per cent, or 10,000 gJ.

Sempa's hybrid heating technology automatically switches between fossil fuel sources and electricity depending on which source is the cheapest at any point in the day. This in turn minimizes costs, decreases GHG emissions and increases energy efficiency. In 2007, Sempa received the Deloitte Technology Green 15 Award as one of the fastest growing technology companies in Canada.

Sempa will soon begin installation of its hybrid heating system at the Delta Sun Peaks Resort and Delta Winnipeg, and is in talks with Delta Hotels in Vancouver and Victoria for similar projects. Most major hotels and resorts in the community of Whistler, BC, are using Sempa's hybrid heating system.

About Sempa Power Systems Ltd.

Sempa Power Systems Ltd. is a world-leading alternative energy company with a patent-pending Hybrid Heating Solution™. Sempa provides technology and implementation services to help commercial building owners and managers dramatically lower energy costs, significantly reduce Greenhouse Gas emissions, and cut energy consumption. More information can be found at: www.sempapower.com.



About Delta Hotels

A leading Canadian hotel management company, Delta Hotels operates and franchises a diversified portfolio with more than 40 full-service, city centre and airport hotels and resorts under the Delta brand. It is fully owned by British Columbia Investment Management Corporation (bcIMC), a Canadian leader in investment funds management that is based in Victoria, British Columbia (www.bcimc.com).

Widely regarded as Canada's "brand of choice" by guests and owners, Delta Hotels also distinguishes itself as an exemplary employer. It is the only hotel company to have been recognized for its sustained focus on business excellence by the prestigious National Quality Institute with three Canada Awards for Excellence, including the award program's highest honour, the Order of Excellence (2007). It also consistently ranks as one of the country's best employers in The Globe and Mail's Report on Business annual "50 Best Employers" list (2001–2003, 2005–2008). As well, its corporate social responsibility platform, Delta Cares, includes chain-wide participation in the Hotel Associations of Canada's Green Key Eco-Rating program and in Adopt-a-Shelter, as well as partnerships with local and national organizations.

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