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Tony Tam, General Manager
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Dear Tony,

Congratulations!!

We are honored to recognize your hotel as one of "Hampton's Best" as a Hampton Lighthouse Hotel Award Winner for 2005 at the C3 Summit GM conference award celebration in Orlando.

Our Lighthouse Awards are given to the best hotels in our system with the strongest product and service quality levels (as measured through QA and GSRs scores) and ranked through our TQS/Balanced Scorecard rating system that is shared with you quarterly.

This Lighthouse Award is given to the top 60 Hampton Inns, top 20 Hampton Inn & Suites, and the top 2 international hotels in our system, based on the '05 year-end results that we've just received.

Your hotel's trophy is presented to you at the C3 Summit GM conference celebration (with the opportunity to have it shipped home if you prefer), and a second trophy will be shipped to your owner for his/her use.

A special "award winning hotel symbol" will be placed with your hotel's listing in our brand directory.

Again, congratulations on being one of Hampton's best and for winning one of our top hotel awards. To be in the top 82 hotels demonstrates true commitment and focus on guest satisfaction from you, your owner, and your team. If you have any questions on this award, please call your regional HPS Team at 1-800-5ADVICE.

We value your hard work and the confidence and trust that you place in our Hampton brand. Again, congratulations on being a Lighthouse Hotel Award Winner - one of the best of our best!

With Hampton Pride,

Phil Cordell
Senior Vice President
Brand Management
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cc: Paul C. Aughtry, III, Principal Correspondent

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