



Hotel Valencia Riverwalk to Offer Guests Natura Water

Local Hotel Continues to Lead the Way in Sustainability

San Antonio, TX (March 31, 2009) – In an effort to continue our commitment to the environment, Hotel Valencia Riverwalk is pleased to announce we will be offering Natura ® water to our guests throughout the hotel and in all restaurants. Hotel Valencia Riverwalk is one of the first hotels in downtown San Antonio to offer Natura water to guests and the only hotel to remove pre-packaged bottled water from all food and beverage menus.

The leading water-purification system in the United States, the Natura water system removes impurities from the local water source while retaining healthy minerals – thus significantly reducing our use of disposable/plastic bottles. Still or sparkling water is dispensed into glass bottles designed for wash and reuse, and presented to guests with sealed caps. The Natura water-purification system is the only one of its kind to utilize both high-grade carbon filters and UV technology to eliminate distasteful impurities such as chlorine, metals, sediments and bacteria.

“It feels great knowing that the Natura water we serve our guests will be as fresh as the food we serve on our menus; bottled when it is ordered. We are confident that our guests will embrace this change and recognize our ongoing efforts to be green” said Executive Chef Jeffery Balfour.

Natura water is currently available in Citrus Restaurant and Vbar and for all private functions and meetings set up through the sales and catering departments.

The installation of Natura water continues the eco-friendly practices of Hotel Valencia Riverwalk. The hotel's sustainable efforts extend beyond the guest rooms into Citrus restaurant and Vbar. Executive Chef Jeffery Balfour and Citrus are contributing to the initiatives by purchasing the freshest ingredients from locally sustainable farmers and fishermen offering diners an extensive menu selection of organic wines, vodkas and coffee.

About Hotel Valencia River Walk

Located in downtown San Antonio, Texas, along the famous River Walk, Hotel Valencia Riverwalk features 213 Mediterranean-influenced guestrooms with an exclusive brand of luxury signature to the San Antonio area. From dramatic décor to the latest technology and what has become the sophisticated, "see and be seen" gathering place, Vbar, Hotel Valencia provides guests with a contemporary four-diamond experience. The impeccable architectural craftsmanship, intimate meeting facilities, luxurious amenities and innovative, eclectic cuisine at Citrus restaurant provide the framework for unparalleled personal service. Part of the Valencia Group properties, Hotel Valencia is known for exceptional service and style, and has received international recognition by *Condé Nast* and *Travel+Leisure*. For more information, visit www.hotelvalencia.com.

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