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**RIVERHOUSE ON THE DESCHUTES APPOINTS BENJAMIN EDEL TO THE POSITION
OF RESTAURANT MANAGER**

***New Leadership Team to Helm Hotel's Forthcoming Restaurant Concept, Currents, Opening
This Spring***

BEND, Ore. – February 1, 2016– As one of Bend's most iconic hotels prepares to open under a new name following a comprehensive renovation, it announces an accomplished new addition to its leadership team. When it reopens this spring, Riverhouse on the Deschutes will be a brilliantly refurbished hotel and convention center, replete with an original new restaurant concept that will serve as the heartbeat of the reinvigorated destination. Currents Restaurant will be centrally situated in an entirely remodeled space overlooking the picturesque Deschutes river, and its team has appointed Benjamin Edel as Restaurant Manager.

Edel is an experienced Food & Beverage Manager and Sommelier who joins Riverhouse on the Deschutes most recently from Sunriver Resort in Sunriver, OR. A passionate hospitality professional, Edel has cultivated extensive expertise, combining both industry practice and business savvy to lead a wide range of restaurant and bar concepts to success. Past positions have included Pronghorn, an Auberge Resort in Bend, where he served as Assistant F&B Manager and Sommelier, The Pine Tavern Restaurant and Bar in Bend, where he held the position of Bar Manager and Sommelier, as well as Three Degrees Restaurant at the Riverplace Hotel a Kimpton property in Portland, OR.

Edel will bring his management and leadership skills to Riverhouse on the Deschutes as he oversees its new signature restaurant, Currents Restaurant. Currents will feature Pacific Northwest cuisine conceived by Executive Chef Mark Hosack, who has developed a menu that will highlight the local bounty with seasonal produce as well as an innovative, locally-driven wine, beer and cocktail program. Edel, along with General Manager of Food & Beverage Jeff Stokholm, will welcome visitors and locals alike to an inviting full-service destination, infused with energy and motivated by thoughtfully-curated experiences.

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About Riverhouse on the Deschutes

The Riverhouse Hotel & Convention Center is currently undergoing renovations, reopening as Riverhouse on the Deschutes early in 2016. Established in 1974, the 220-room full-service hotel and 36,000-square-foot convention center located in Bend, Oregon overlooks the picturesque Deschutes River. Ideally situated a convenient distance to Bend's numerous retail districts and breweries, the property is just a short drive from the famed Mt. Bachelor Ski Resort. When it opens, Riverhouse on the Deschutes will be Oregon's premier riverfront hotel, melding Northwester style with a fresh, contemporary sensibility. The eco-friendly boutique hotel will also be home to its own original restaurant, Currents, offering innovative Pacific Northwest cuisine. Riverhouse on the Deschutes' full service convention center will offer extensive meeting facilities with state-of-the-art audiovisual technologies. Its multi-functional convention center is the largest to be found in Central Oregon, accommodating over 1,000 guests for seated meals and more than 1,700 for receptions. For reservations and information, visit www.riverhouse.com or call (866) 453-4480.