

**MEDIA RELEASE**

Travelodge Newcastle Wins Best Four Star Motel in NSW

Sydney, NSW, 16 June 2008: Travelodge Newcastle, part of the Toga Hospitality group, has taken out the prestigious award for Best Four Star Motel in NSW at the HMAA Accommodation Industry Awards for Excellence held at Star City, Sydney on Friday 13 June 2008.

The annual Accommodation Industry Awards for Excellence were presented by the Hotel Motel & Accommodation Association (HMAA) and showcase the outstanding achievements in the accommodation industry.

The award for Best Four Star Motel was judged based on a range of criteria including; the product's point of difference, business plans, marketing strategies, customer service, professional development, sustainability and innovation.

Travelodge Newcastle is conveniently located in the heart of Newcastle and boasts 129 recently refurbished guest rooms including spa suites, restaurant, bar and extensive conference facilities, making it an excellent choice for business and leisure travelers alike. The price per room rates offer comfort and quality at unbeatable value.

The award is also testament to the Newcastle region as a whole, which offers magnificent beaches and a surf culture alongside a bustling, cosmopolitan city on the spectacular Hunter Coast.

According to Rachel Argaman, CEO, Toga Hospitality, "We are delighted to win this award for Travelodge Newcastle. It is recognition of the team's hard work to provide a consistently high level of service and accommodation to all of our guests. Newcastle Tourism and Hunter Regional Tourism should also be proud of this achievement."

Travelodge Hotels represent a new generation of hotels for the smart traveller looking for quality hotels in excellent city locations. With a 40 year heritage in Australia, the 15 new generation Travelodge Hotels are located in Sydney, Newcastle, Melbourne, Brisbane, Rockhampton, Darwin and Perth in Australia and Palmerston North and Wellington in New Zealand.

For more information on Travelodge Hotels visit www.travelodge.com.au or 1300 886 886.

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About Toga Hospitality

Toga Hospitality is one of the largest accommodation providers in the South Pacific and currently operates 46 strategically located Apartment Hotels and Hotels in Australia, New Zealand and Europe. This comprises of Medina Apartment Hotels (22 locations), Vibe Hotels Australia (six locations) and Travelodge (15 locations) which consists of over 5,800 apartments and hotel rooms. In Europe, Adina Apartment Hotels are located in Berlin, Copenhagen and Budapest (three locations).

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