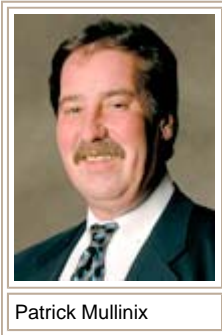


## Americas Best Value Inn expands development team

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(Coral Springs, FL) February 28, 2007 – Maintaining its reputation as the fastest growing hotel chain in the country for four consecutive years, Americas Best Value Inn by Vantage has promoted Patrick Mullinix to Vice President of Development and hired two new membership development directors to pursue opportunities with new members throughout North America who continue to seek the brand as a desirable choice in branding alternatives.

Mullinix has been with Americas Best Value Inn for nearly five years; first as Senior Director of Membership and most recently, as National Sales and Development Manager. During his tenure, Mullinix increased the total number of Americas Best Value Inn locations in the state of Texas to over 100 properties, making it the fastest growing hotel chain in the state, and contributed to the brand's record-breaking growth of 700 properties throughout North America in just seven years.

Reporting directly to Roger Bloss, CEO, President and Founder of Americas Best Value Inn, Mullinix is responsible for all national sales efforts and will oversee the membership development team.

In an effort to continue the unprecedented growth of Americas Best Value Inn, Mullinix introduced the first new construction prototype for the brand at its membership conference in December 2006. "Americas Best Value Inn has been known predominately as a conversion brand," said Mullinix. "However, since the introduction of this prototype, there has been an incredible amount of interest. This prototype for 40 and 60 rooms gives owners different options and allows us to move into new arenas of the lodging industry."

To keep up with the growth of Americas Best Value Inn, Mullinix recently hired two new membership development directors.

Christopher Foster, CHA, will oversee membership development in New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, and portions of Washington and Oregon. Having served as general manager, regional manager and vice president of operations for many major hotel chains, Foster comes to Americas Best Value Inn with a wealth of hospitality experience.

Receiving his CHA in 1997, Foster continues to serve on several industry associations. He lives with his wife and four children in Snowflake, AZ.

Vic Vescovo will direct the membership development in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, and Arkansas. With a background in construction and manufacturing sales, Vescovo is very familiar with the Americas Best Value Inn brand and believes strongly in its philosophy of allowing hotel owners to be in business for themselves, not by themselves. Living in Memphis, TN, Vescovo enjoys traveling and is an active participant on his competitive barbeque cooking team.

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