

Cambria Hotels Continues Tennessee Expansion With Nashville Airport Groundbreaking

ROCKVILLE, Md., May 7, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- Cambria Hotels is doubling its Music City presence as Choice Hotels International, Inc. (NYSE: CHH) and Athena Hospitality Group, LLC, announced the start of construction on the brand's second upscale hotel in Nashville, Tenn. The Cambria Hotel Nashville Airport, scheduled to open in 2020, joins the Cambria Hotel Nashville Downtown, which opened in 2018.

The 130-room hotel, located within Royal Park Owners Association at 44 Rachel Dr., offers convenient access to the Nashville International Airport as well as downtown Nashville. The Cambria Hotel Nashville Airport is less than two miles from One Century Place Conference Center and is a short drive from the offices of several major corporations, such as Nissan North America, HCA Healthcare, Dollar General Corp, and Bridgestone Americas.

"The first Cambria hotel in Tennessee's capital made such a splash in its first year that we're especially excited to bring the Cambria Hotel Nashville Airport project to life," said Janis Cannon, senior vice president, upscale brands, Choice Hotels. "Nashville is high on travelers' lists of destinations to visit and boasts one of the country's fastest-growing economies, especially in the healthcare sector. All of these reasons point to Nashville as the ideal market to welcome another Cambria hotel."

There are more than 40 Cambria hotels open across the U.S. in popular cities, like Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, New Orleans, Phoenix, and Washington, D.C. The Cambria brand is slated to enter more prime markets this year, including Anaheim and Napa, Calif.; Boston; and Houston.

The Cambria Hotel Nashville Airport will feature upscale amenities that appeal to modern travelers, including:

- Immersive, spa-style bathrooms with Bluetooth mirrors
- Contemporary and sophisticated guestrooms, complete with modern fixtures, abundant lighting, and plush bedding
- Onsite dining featuring freshly prepared food, local craft beer on tap, wine, and specialty cocktails
- 7,000 square feet of multi-function meeting space
- State-of-the-art fitness center
- Locally inspired design

Athena Hospitality Group is a full-service development and management company based in nearby Franklin, Tenn. Athena has owned and managed several Choice Hotels brands in the economy, midscale, upper midscale and now upscale segments, including four Comfort hotels in Bowling Green, Ky., Zachary, La., Antioch, Tenn., and Nashville, Tenn. The company was also awarded Choice's prestigious Premier Legacy honor in 2013, recognizing their commitment to enhancing the company's family of brands.

"We have worked with Choice for more than 20 years, and we keep coming back because of their strong value proposition and relationship-based focus," said Jay Patel, chief executive officer, Athena Hospitality Group. "We think business and leisure guests will love this hotel's immersive atmosphere and upscale comforts, and its proximity to the airport, businesses, and downtown Nashville."

About Cambria Hotels

The Cambria® Hotels brand is designed for the modern traveler, offering guests a distinct experience with simple, guilt-free indulgences allowing them to treat themselves while on the road. Properties feature compelling design inspired by the location, spacious and comfortable rooms, flexible meeting space, and local freshly prepared food and craft beer. Cambria Hotels is rapidly expanding in major U.S. cities, with hotels open in Chicago, New York City, Pittsburgh, Washington, D.C., and Los Angeles. There are more than 40 Cambria properties open across the United States, and over 100 hotels open or in the pipeline in the U.S. and Canada. To learn more, visit www.choicehotels.com/cambria.

About Choice Hotels

Choice Hotels International, Inc. (NYSE: CHH) is one of the largest and most successful lodging franchisors in the world. With more than 7,000 hotels, representing nearly 570,000 rooms, in over 40 countries and territories as of December 31, 2018, the Choice® family of hotel brands provides business and leisure travelers with a range of high-quality lodging options from limited service to full-service hotels in the upscale, midscale, extended-stay and economy segments. The award-winning Choice Privileges® loyalty program offers members benefits ranging from everyday rewards to exceptional experiences. For more information, visit www.choicehotels.com.

About Athena Hospitality Group

Athena Hospitality Group is a full turnkey hotel management company with a focus on mid-tier and upper-tier branded hotels. Athena has ownership stake or sole ownership in 25 hotels across various states around the country. The company has an aggressive growth path and is entering the full-service hospitality sector. Visit www.athenahospitalitygroup.com.

Forward-Looking Statement

This communication includes "forward-looking statements" about future events, including anticipated development and hotel openings. Such statements are subject to numerous risks and uncertainties, including construction delays, availability and cost of financing and the other "Risk Factors" described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, any of which could cause actual results to be materially different from our expectations.

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