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YEAR END 2016 EB-5 INVESTOR UPDATE

Marriott Autograph Chicago Hotel,
SMASHotels EB-5 Investors LLC

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Construction of the Marriott Autograph Chicago hotel by SMASHotels Chicago, LLC is expected to be completed for opening to the public in the middle of April 2017.

Summary Report on I-526 Approvals for SMASHotels EB-5 Investor LLC

To date, 12 EB-5 investors (of the 40 total investors) have received APPROVAL of their I-526 in this project. We expect more I-526 approvals to be received in the next several months.

The shortest USCIS I-526 approval processing time was 18 days and the longest processing time has been 15 months. Therefore, to date, all of our 12 approved investors, were approved faster than the average 16-18 month processing time published by USCIS.

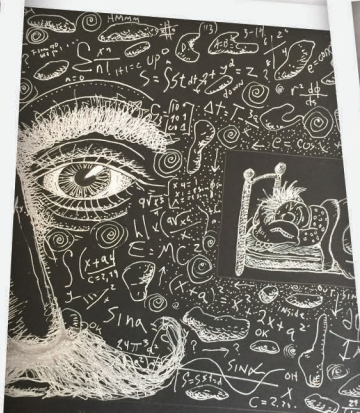
We have UCSIC auto-notifying service. Once we receive the approval notice from UCSIC, we will notify the investors immediately.

Summary Construction Progress and Completion Details

As far as construction of the hotel building, the super structure is complete, the exterior windows are installed, and three main hotel elevators are operational. All primary electrical, plumbing, mechanical, and fire protections systems are installed and approximately 80% of the dry-wall is hung inside the building.

The remaining work includes installing the wall finishes, flooring finishes and ceiling finishes, and trimming the electrical, mechanical and heating units.

At the end of December, 2016, we commenced installing the room furniture, and the pace of room furniture installation will accelerate in mid-January. Also in mid-January, installation of the three kitchens will commence.



Hotel Operational Leadership Now In Place

All key hotel operational leadership positions have been filled with highly credentialed, leading, hospitality professionals, including the General Manager, Director of Sales, Rooms Director, Director of Food and Beverage, Executive Chef, Director of Human Resources, Rooms Sales Manager and Corporate Rooms Sales Manager. In mid-January, recruiting will commence for remaining operational positions.



Active On-line Marriott Autograph Booking Presence

While this hotel is part of the Autograph Collection by Marriott®, it will be known to the public as Hotel EMC2. You may visit our hotel website at: www.hotelemc2.com. Rooms can be booked on-line for Hotel EMC2 on Marriott Global Reservation.

Here is the link:

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/chidx-hotel-emc2-autograph-collection/>

Direct Room Sales, Marketing and Promotion for Hotel EMC2

With three direct sales people working full time for Hotel EMC2, we are BOTH actively booking rooms and building awareness for Hotel EMC2. Soon after we open, we are confident that Hotel EMC2 will have a strong base of corporate and convention business booked from the beginning of May of 2017 through the end of the year.



From a PR standpoint, Hotel EMC2 intentionally is generally keeping a low profile, at the moment, preferring to UNLEASH the Hotel's media punch 15 days before opening and 30 days after the hotel opens for business. However, recently, a local business event magazine, Biz Bash, published the following story about Hotel EMC2 as being one of the most anticipated new venue openings in 2017.

<http://www.bizbash.com/2017-preview-10-most-anticipated-chicago-venues-for-meetings-and-events/chicago/story/33238/#.WG2H9FUrJok>

Also, our investors might appreciate checking out our already active Hotel EMC2 facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/hotelemc2/?fref=ts>

We look forward to providing more exciting updates in the months ahead.

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