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March 28, 2011

NICK LEWIS  
CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL INC  
10750 COLUMBIA PIKE  
SILVER SPRING, MD 20901

Re: F-5980  
CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL INC  
ASCEND COLLECTION F/A

Dear Mr. Lewis:

The Annual Report has been reviewed and is in compliance with Minnesota Statute Chapter 80C and Minnesota Rules Chapter 2860.

This means that there continues to be an effective registration statement on file and that the franchisor may offer and sell the above-referenced franchise in Minnesota.

The franchisor is not required to escrow franchise fees, post a Franchise Surety Bond or defer receipt of franchise fees during this registration period.

As a reminder, the next annual report is due within 120 days after the franchisor's fiscal year end, which is December 31, 2011.

Sincerely,

MIKE ROTHMAN  
Commissioner

By:

Daniel Sexton  
Commerce Analyst Supervisor  
Registration Division  
(651) 296-4520

MR:DES:dlw

F-5980



STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
REGISTRATION DIVISION  
(651) 296-6328

IN THE MATTER OF THE REGISTRATION OF:  
ASCEND COLLECTION F/A  
By CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL INC

ORDER AMENDING  
REGISTRATION

WHEREAS, an application to amend the registration and amendment fee have been filed,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the registration dated July 16, 2008, is amended as of the date set forth below.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Rothman".

MIKE ROTHMAN  
Commissioner  
Department of Commerce  
85 7th Place East, Suite 500  
St Paul, MN 55101

Date: March 28, 2011

UNIFORM FRANCHISE REGISTRATION APPLICATION



File No: F-5980

Fee: \$300.00

State: Minnesota

State of Minnesota  
Dept. of Commerce

MAR 25 2011

Rec'd \$ 300

APPLICATION FOR:

INITIAL REGISTRATION OF AN OFFER OR SALE OF FRANCHISES

RENEWAL APPLICATION OR ANNUAL REPORT

PRE-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT

POST-EFFECTIVE MATERIAL AMENDMENT

1. Full legal name of Franchisor:

Choice Hotels International, Inc.

2. Name of the franchise offering:

ASCEND COLLECTION

3. Franchisor's principle business address:

10750 Columbia Pike  
Silver Spring, MD 20901

4. Name and address of Franchisor's agent in the State of Minnesota authorized to receive service of process:

Department of Commerce  
85 7<sup>th</sup> Place, East, Suite 500  
St. Paul, MN 55101

5. The states in which this application is or will be shortly on file:

California, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin

6. Name, address and telephone and facsimile numbers, and e-mail address of person to whom communications regarding this application should be sent:

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Senior Counsel  
Choice Hotels International, Inc.  
10750 Columbia Pike  
Silver Spring, MD 20901  
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AM AMEND

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