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**HMSHost Named Best Food and Beverage Brand Operator in
Airport Revenue News Annual Best Concession Awards**

HMSHost's Own Anthony's Seafood Tapped for Best Restaurant Design

BETHESDA, MD –*Airport Revenue News'* 2007 Best Concessions Poll named **HMSHost Corporation**, a world leader in travel dining and shopping, the 2007 Best Food and Beverage Brand Operator in the Large Food Operator Division. **Anthony's Seafood**, operated by HMSHost at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (Sea-Tac), was also a winner for 2007 Best Restaurant Design.

"We are very honored to receive this award," said Elie W. Maalouf, HMSHost President and CEO. "We congratulate the well-deserved airport award winners and our esteemed industry colleagues. We will continue our commitment to excellence and look forward to another successful year in 2008."

This year's win marks the sixth time *Airport Revenue News* (ARN), a leading American trade publication for airport executives, recognized HMSHost as a top leader in the concession industry. HMSHost operates in more than 100 airports globally, including 19 of the top 20 airports in North America.

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Anthony's Restaurant & Fish Bar, known for its fresh Northwest seafood, anchors Sea-Tac's Pacific Marketplace. The 7,000 square-foot dining room in the Central Terminal (post-security) overlooks the airfield and Olympic Mountains.

The Best Concession awards ceremony was held at the Hard Rock Café in Orlando, Florida, on February 20, 2007, and marked the culmination of *ARN's* annual conference.

About HMSHost

HMSHost is world-renowned for creating customized shopping and dining spaces in travel venues. The innovative company operates in more than 100 airport locations around the globe, including 19 of the 20 busiest airports in North America. HMSHost has annual sales in excess of \$2.0 billion and employs more than 26,000 associates worldwide.

A wholly-owned subsidiary of Autogrill S.p.A, HMSHost and the Autogrill Group are recognized leaders in travel amenities. With sales exceeding \$4.0 billion, Autogrill is present in 30 countries with over 4,500 points of sale in 979 locations (including 138 airports and 645 motorways) where 51,000 employees serve over 800 million customers every year.

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