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Our first issue of 2008 is chock full of information that is currently affecting the hotel industry and the way in which you operate your hotels.

Our reservations expert, Eric Barber, discusses the looming recession and what hoteliers can do to prepare for this cyclical inevitability. Labor relations attorney Don Lee discusses what hotel managers need to know about current efforts by organized labor and various legislatures to mandate paid sick leave for both full-time and part-time employees. TRC energy guru Phil Sprague talks about good and bad energy-related investments that a hotel can make, while veteran hotelier John Hogan reminds us of the pitfalls of inappropriate email etiquette.



Also included in this issue are tips for combating on-the-job theft by employees, creative towel presentation techniques, and legal considerations when renting guestrooms. Finally, please read the thank you article from Dr. Gary Praetzel on page 1. Learn how your paid subscription to TRCSM is benefiting the hotel leaders of tomorrow, today.

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