



## **Coast Hotels Appoints Grant McKegney as Director, Technology**

*Expanding Hotel Brand Appoints new Director of Technology to drive IT strategy and support business growth.*

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**Vancouver, B.C. – May 17th, 2023 – Coast Hotels Limited**, a fully owned subsidiary of APA Hotel Canada, Inc. and one of North America’s fastest-growing and one of Canada’s largest hotel brands, is pleased to announce the appointment of Grant McKegney as the company’s new Director, Technology.

In his new role, McKegney will be responsible for overseeing the daily IT operations, as well as leading the development and execution of the company's short and long-term technology strategy. He will be leading a team of talented professionals to drive innovation and support the company's growth objectives.

With over 20 years of experience in developing and implementing strategic technology roadmaps and complex projects, Grant is an exceptional leader with a proven track record in infrastructure architecture, IT operations management, security governance and risk, performance analytics, and business process improvement.

“On behalf of everyone at Coast Hotels, we are delighted to welcome Grant to our team as the new Director of Technology,” said Manny Ilaio, Chief Financial Officer, at Coast Hotels. “With his extensive international experience and deep technical knowledge, we are confident that he will lead our technology group with excellence and support our expansion objectives.”

McKegney has an extensive background working for several airline and travel companies including Air Canada, oneworld Alliance Management Company, and Rocky Mountaineer. Most recently, he served as Director of Information Technology for Canadian North Airlines, where he oversaw the organization’s technology strategy, and ensured optimal technology operations stability, infrastructure management, data and cloud technology operations, and security governance and risk.

“I’m thrilled to join the Coast Hotels technology team,” said McKegney. “This is an exciting and promising moment to join the company. With their progressive vision of expansion, I look forward to helping execute and enable technological infrastructure improvements and IT operations management to meet both long-term and short-term targets of the business.”

The addition of Grant McKegney to the Coast Hotels team marks an important step towards the company’s continued growth and success in the hospitality industry.

## **About Coast Hotels**

Each Coast Hotel property is as unique as the destinations they are located in, yet they all have something in common: friendly service and our always pleasant amenities. Coast Hotels offers properties throughout British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, the Yukon, Alaska, California, Hawaii, and Washington State in cities large and small. As one of North America's fastest-growing hotel brands, Coast Hotels owes its continued expansion to its friendly service, prime locations, value, and guest satisfaction. Coast Hotels owns and franchises hotels under the Coast Hotels brand and manages hotels on both a Coast Hotels branded and independent basis.

## **About APA Hotels**

Headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, APA has a network of more than 620 properties and over 93,000 rooms in Japan making it the country's largest hotel group. It also has one hundred percent ownership of Coast Hotels, the brand, and owns the six "by APA" hotels in Vancouver, Victoria, Chilliwack, Prince George, Edmonton, and Calgary. APA is known for their urban-style hotel concept that delivers high-quality, highly functional, and environmentally friendly hotels to the market.

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