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WINTER SNOW STORM BARRELS INTO ASPEN/SNOWMASS LEAVING UP TO EIGHT INCHES ON THE SLOPES

A Second Storm is Rolling in From the Pacific Northwest and Should Blanket the Area Again by Mid-Week

Aspen/Snowmass, CO., October 15, 2007 – A wet winter storm rolled through Aspen/Snowmass dumping up to eight inches of snow on the slopes. Hunters in the area reported more than a foot of snow in some backcountry locations. Snowmass reported eight inches of snow while Aspen Mountain received six inches at the 11,212 foot summit.

Snowmass and Aspen Mountain are scheduled to open on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 22. Aspen Highlands and Buttermilk are scheduled to open Saturday, December 8.

There are exciting changes in store for the 2007-2008 winter season at Aspen/Snowmass with \$25.5 million in improvements. Snowmass will be the focal point with the first phase of the new base village coming online, including The Treehouse Kids' Adventure Center, a rental/retail shop and ticket offices. Elk Camp Meadows learning area will also open at Snowmass this season.

Aspen/Snowmass will once again host the best women ski racers in the world Dec. 7-9, during the 2007 Aspen International FIS Women's World Cup. This year's event will feature both speed and technical races, including the first women's downhill in Aspen in nearly 20 years, along with super G and slalom races. The races will be the focal point of a weekend packed with additional events including a Bud Light Hi-Fi Concert, gondola plaza festivals, fireworks and parties.

This winter ski or ride Aspen/Snowmass for less than \$40 per day with the Aspen/Snowmass Classic Pass. Click here for more details.

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Aspen Skiing Company operates the four mountains in the Aspen/Snowmass area - Snowmass, Aspen Mountain, Aspen Highlands and Buttermilk - as well as the award-winning Ski & Snowboard Schools of Aspen/Snowmass. The area offers unparalleled nightlife and off-slope activities as well.

Aspen/Snowmass is accessible by two of the most convenient airports in the mountains – Aspen/Pitkin County Airport (ASE) (3 miles from Aspen) and Eagle County Airport (EGE) (70 miles from Aspen). For more information on Aspen Skiing Company, please call 800-525-6200 or 970-925-1220, or visit the company's website at www.aspensnowmass.com.

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