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MARRIOTT'S NEWPORT COAST® VILLAS NEARS COMPLETION WITH LARGEST SINGLE PHASE OPENING

Phase Eight Brings on 124 Additional Two-Bedroom Villas to One of Marriott Vacation Club's Most Popular Resorts

Orlando, Fla. – April 4, 2008 – Marriott Vacation Club International (MVCI), the recognized worldwide leader in the vacation ownership industry and a division of Marriott International, Inc. (NYSE:MAR), announced today the phase eight opening of *Marriott's Newport Coast Villas* in Newport Coast, Calif. The new phase reveals 124 additional two-bedroom/two-bathroom villas making it the largest single phase opening in the resort's history.

Adding onto the vacation resort's existing 499 two-bedroom villas, the new villas bring the total resort count to 623 out of a proposed 700 villas upon completion, each with approximately 1,240 square feet of living space.

Located on the hills of the renowned Newport Coast community overlooking The Pelican Hill Golf Club and the vast Pacific coast, the picturesque resort design reflects the terracing style of a coastal Mediterranean hillside community. Each Mediterranean-inspired villa features a rich interior color pallet of forest green with deep red and gold accents. Vacationers can take in the breathtaking views from balconies off each bedroom, as well as enjoy other villa features including a fully-equipped kitchen with granite countertops and tile floors, spacious living and dining areas, multiple LG flat-panel televisions and DVD players, and washer/dryer. Two-bedroom villas can accommodate up to eight guests.

"The tremendous response to Marriott's Newport Coast Villas has been exciting to see," said Chad Jensen, general manager at Marriott's Newport Coast Villas. "We are delighted to be able to offer our owners and guests additional villas, allowing even more families to experience memorable vacations in such an ideal destination."

Owners and guests can enjoy a variety of amenities, including:

- Four pools, including a children's pool, and three whirlpool spas
- Spa Pacifica, an exclusive 4,000-square-foot spa with six treatment rooms, steam room and sauna
- La Vista pool bar and grill
- Three lighted tennis courts
- Access to Pelican Hill Golf Club
- The MarketPlace convenience store and deli
- Marriott's Activity Zone Experience (MAZE) – for all ages
- The Shack, teen center equipped with SONY PlayStation®3 consoles, iPod docking stations, flat-panel TV and DVDs
- Bella Vista Park with basketball court, putting green, sand box, fire pit, barbeque and picnic areas
- Fitness center

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Upon build out, proposed resort features and amenities will include an additional 77 two-bedroom villas, a fifth pool, two whirlpool spas and event lawn.

Known for its world-famous beaches and breath-taking sunsets, Newport Coast attracts visitors to the area year-round. For active vacationers, the destination offers options from surfing and sailing in the Pacific to scenic hiking and mountain biking at Crystal Cove State Park which boasts 3.5 miles of beach and more than 2,000 acres of undeveloped woodland. Visitors can also spend an afternoon visiting Newport’s famous Balboa Island, or take a day trip to Catalina Island, California’s favorite island getaway. Everyone can enjoy the excitement of Newport Coast by day or night with its highly acclaimed restaurants, fine art boutiques and museums, and renowned shopping within minutes of the resort.

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