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Ramada Inn Sale Closed by MBA Hotel Brokers Inc.

September 3, 2013 – MBA Hotel Brokers Inc., a member of Hotel Brokers International, announces the sale of the Ramada Titusville/ Kennedy Space Center in Titusville, Florida. Charlie Fritsch, President of MBA Hotel Brokers Inc. represented the seller, Painter Bay Trust, in the \$1,650,000 sale.

The Ramada Inn hotel is located at 3500 Cheney Highway, Titusville, Florida. The Ramada was built in 1974 and has 124 keys. The hotel is located off I-95 near Florida beaches, Kennedy Space Flight Center and Museum, and 35 miles from Orlando. A leased Denny's restaurant adjoins the lobby.



The Ramada was taken over by the seller, Painter Bay and Trust, from its borrower in early 2012. Painter Bay and Trust immediately installed a management company and started investing in upgrades. Improvements totaled over \$300,000 including new HVAC units in 50 units. This was a short sale for the seller because the hotel was only appraised at a portion of the original loan amount.

In addition to the loss the seller would take, this was a difficult sale because the market has been soft since the Kennedy Space Center stopped doing manned space flights. The hotel is also in need of more improvements.

Charlie Fritsch procured the buyer Shivstar Investments LLC. The buyer plans to convert the Ramada to another brand such as Motel 6.

MBA Hotel Brokers Inc. has been advising on hotel transactions for over 17 years and has been a member of Hotel Brokers International for the last 12 years. MBA has five brokers carrying licenses in 11 states. MBA Hotel Brokers Inc. has sold hotels throughout the U.S. and internationally as well. Charlie Fritsch CHB is the Founder and President of MBA Hotel Brokers Inc. For more information, contact Charlie Fritsch at Charlie@mbahotels.com.

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