

# GRILL CONCEPTS, INC.

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### GRILL CONCEPTS ANNOUNCES CFO CHANGE; SUCCESSOR TO BE NAMED SOON

**WOODLAND HILLS, Calif. – August 12, 2010** – Grill Concepts, Inc. (Pink Sheets: GLLC), operators of *The Grill on the Alley* and *Daily Grill*-branded restaurants and the *In Short Order – Daily Grill*, the company's quick casual concept, today announced the departure of Wayne Lipschitz as the company's vice president and chief financial officer, effective August 9, 2010. Pending the naming of the new CFO, senior management will work closely with the finance and accounting directors and vice president of information technology.

"We thank Wayne for his loyal service and wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors," said Robert Spivak, Grill Concepts' president and chief executive officer.

### About Grill Concepts, Inc.

Grill Concepts owns, manages and licenses upscale casual and fine dining, full service restaurants under two core brand names: *The Grill on the Alley* and *Daily Grill*; as well as the quick casual concept named *In Short Order – Daily Grill*. The company operates 29 restaurants including seven *The Grill on the Alley*-branded restaurants in Beverly Hills, Hollywood, San Jose and Westlake Village, California; Chicago, Illinois; Dallas, Texas; and Aventura, Florida; 21 *Daily Grill* restaurants in California; the Washington, D.C. metropolitan region; Houston and Austin, Texas; Portland, Oregon; Seattle, Washington; and Tulsa, Oklahoma; as well as one *In Short Order – Daily Grill* in Seattle, Washington.

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