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Clean Team Sets a Green Example with an Electric Car

(Downtown Spokane, WA, September 25, 2008) –The Downtown Spokane Partnership (DSP) Clean Team is setting a green example with the trial of a new electric car from Go Green Electric in Post Falls, Idaho. As the Clean Team picks up litter, removes garbage and graffiti, plants and waters in conjunction with Security Ambassadors throughout Downtown, an electric car will offer increased mobility and efficiency at reduced long term costs.

“An electric vehicle will not only influence the efficiency of our Clean Team, but is also a proactive effort to implement and encourage green practices in Downtown,” said Marty Dickinson, DSP President. “This program is the first of its kind for Downtown Spokane and we are excited to showcase it.”

The electric vehicle features include a solar panel on the roof, making it possible to draw most, if not all, of its power requirements from daylight hours, and an enclosed cab for convenient year-round use. While the bed of the vehicle is large enough for maintenance and watering equipment, the compact vehicle size overall allows for easier maneuverability. For more vehicle information go to www.gogreenelectriccars.us.

"I would like to congratulate the Downtown Spokane Partnership on its decision to begin using an electric car for the Clean Team," said Spokane Mayor Mary Verner. "Once again, I am proud that our community is responding in ever-more creative ways to promote green and sustainable business practices."

Although the DSP is currently in a trial period with the electric car, the Clean Team is slated to have more permanent use of an electric vehicle in 2009. The DSP is also partnering with the City and others for more green practices Downtown. For more information on the Business Improvement District's Clean and Safe programs, managed by the DSP, please see the attached fact sheets, or visit www.DowntownSpokane.net.

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About the Downtown Spokane Partnership (DSP)

The DSP is a private, non-profit organization that serves as Spokane's central city advocate and service provider, dedicated to enhancing the quality and vitality of Downtown Spokane as the basis for a healthy region. The DSP accomplishes its mission through advocating for public policies, business and project development, quality planning, physical improvement projects, public safety, beautification, and marketing programs that ensure Downtown's continued success.

About the Downtown Spokane Business Improvement District (BID)

The BID was created by Spokane City Council in July 1995 and reauthorized in 2001 at the request of the area's business and property owners. The City of Spokane hires the DSP to administer the BID on the City's behalf. Comprising approximately 80 blocks of the Central Business District, the BID boundaries are generally Maple to Browne, and the Railroad Viaduct to North River Drive. More than 850 businesses and 350 property owners are contained within the area. Special assessments of over \$900,000 from within the BID fund activities, programs, and management.

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