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GRILL CONCEPTS SCHEDULES 2008 FIRST QUARTER CONFERENCE CALL ON MAY 19

WOODLAND HILLS, Calif. – May 12, 2008 – Grill Concepts, Inc. (NASDAQ:GRIL) today announced that the company will report financial results for its 2008 first quarter on Monday, May 19, 2008, after the market closes and will host its quarterly investor conference call that same day at 2 p.m. PT (5 p.m. ET).

Investment professionals are invited to participate in the live call by dialing 877-604-9673 (domestic) or 719-325-4874 (international). The call will be open to all other interested parties through a live, listen-only audio Internet broadcast in the Investor Relations section of the company's Web site, www.dailygrill.com, and www.earnings.com.

For those who are not available to listen to the live broadcast, the call will be archived for one year at both Web sites. A telephonic playback of the conference call also will be available from approximately 4 p.m. PT on May 19, 2008 through May 26, 2008, by calling 888-203-1112 (domestic) or 719-457-0820 (international) using replay passcode 2545454.

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 a newly launched quick casual concept named *In Short Order – Daily Grill*. The company operates 30 restaurants including five *The Grill on the Alley*-branded restaurants in Beverly Hills, Hollywood and San Jose, California; Chicago, Illinois; and Dallas, Texas; 24 *Daily Grill* restaurants in California; the Washington, D.C. metropolitan region; Houston and Austin, Texas; Portland, Oregon; Memphis, Tennessee; Seattle, Washington and Boston, Massachusetts; as well as one *In Short Order – Daily Grill* in Seattle, Washington.

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