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**FORMER JAYHAWK MICHAEL LEE JOINS VOLCANOES**

**Vancouver, WA**—The Vancouver Volcanoes is pleased to announce that Michael Lee will join the team for the 2007 International Basketball League season—the Volcanoes third in the IBL.

Lee, 6'3", was a four year letterman at Kansas University, where he played on KU teams that reached the finals (2003) and elite eight (2004). Lee spent a season with the Harlem Globetrotters in 2005, and recently completed a stint with Entente Orleans in France.

Vancouver Volcanoes Head Coach John Phillips—"We are very excited to have Michael join us this season. He has performed on one of this sport's biggest stages, and we look forward to having his skills and experience on the court."

The Volcanoes kick off the 2007 IBL season against the Portland Chinooks on Sunday, March 11 at the Stott Center on the campus of Portland State University.

**About the IBL**

**Two unique features distinguish the IBL from other professional basketball leagues:**

- 1. An entertaining game.** By allowing only one timeout per quarter, and reducing the time between plays with an immediate inbounds policy, IBL games are always fast and entertaining. IBL teams average 127 points per contest; just as important—games last only two hours.
- 2. Extremely low travel costs.** The IBL promises a maximum of one trip per season requiring air travel. This 'one flight guarantee' that teams enjoy promotes financial health and longevity for IBL teams. In fact, **all 17 teams** completed the first IBL season (the 2005 season); as well, **all 24 teams** completed the 2006 season.

**The IBL is now heading into the third year of play with tip-off in mid March of 2007. For more information, photos and videos about IBL teams and/or the IBL itself, visit the league web site [www.iblhoopsonline.com](http://www.iblhoopsonline.com)**