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### **Dakota Wizards' Tip-off 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season**

**Bismarck, ND, Nov. 15, 2009** -- The Dakota Wizards fifteenth anniversary season has officially tipped off as new head coach Rory White and his staff, along with a full training camp roster of 17 players held their first practices Sunday at the University of Mary in Bismarck.

“I’m excited to finally have things underway,” said White. “Being able to see the results of our draft prep, along with the returning players and the guys we picked up at our tryout camp is getting me pumped up to start our season.”

The first chance to see the Dakota Wizards in action will be preseason game to be played Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, against the Sioux Falls Skyforce in Hazelton, ND at 6 pm.

The training camp roster includes all eight players selected in the 2009 NBA D-League Draft, five returning players from last season, three local tryout invitees, and recent camp invite Lorenzo Davis.

The roster will be reduced to 12 players by Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup> and then to the final limit of 10 by Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>.

The Wizards open the season November 28<sup>th</sup> at the Bismarck Civic Center against the expansion Maine Red Claws. Season tickets, starting at just \$99, are still available and can be purchased by calling 258-BALL.

Training Camp Roster is Attached

## **DAKOTA WIZARDS 2009-10 TRAINING CAMP ROSTER**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Pos</u></b>	<b><u>Ht</u></b>	<b><u>Wt</u></b>	<b><u>From</u></b>	<b><u>Acquired</u></b>
Maurice Baker	PG	6'1	195	Oklahoma State	Returning Player
Romel Beck	G/F	6'8	195	UNLV	Returning Player
David Bell	G	6'1	195	Montana	Returning Player
Jimmy Binnie	F	6'7	225	Dayton	Draft – 8 <sup>th</sup> Round
D'Lancy Carter	C	6'10	257	St. Bonaventure	Draft – 4 <sup>th</sup> Round
Darren Cooper	G	6'3	195	Portland	Draft – 6 <sup>th</sup> Round
Lorenzo Davis	C/F	6'10	225	Fort Valley State	Available Player Pool
Marcus Dove	F	6'9	225	Oklahoma State	Draft – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Round
Carlos English	PG	5'9	170	Cleveland State	Returning Player
Renaldo Major	SF	6'7	190	Fresno State	Returning Player
Derick Payne	F	6'6	230	Bowie State	Local Tryout
Rashaad Powell	G/F	6'6	210	Idaho	Draft – 7 <sup>th</sup> Round
Manny Quezada	G	6'2	185	San Francisco	Local Tryout
Cameron Stanley	G/F	6'6	225	Winthrop	Local Tryout
Jason Straight	G	6'1	190	Wyoming	Draft – 5 <sup>th</sup> Round
Doug Thomas	F/C	6'9	240	Iowa	Draft – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Round
Curtis Withers	F	6'8	220	UNC-Charlotte	Draft – 1 <sup>st</sup> Round