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**BAKERSFIELD JAM ALUMN JUSTIN REED
HEADS TO PHILADELPHIA**
*NBADL Enforcer Invited to Join Three Other Former D-Leaguers at
76ers Training Camp*

(Bakersfield, Calif., September 26, 2008) – Justin Reed, a power forward who played for the Jam during the 2007-08 NBA Development League Season was today invited to play at the Philadelphia 76ers training camp. Reed will amongst NBA stars Andre Iguodala, Elton Brand and Andre Miller when the 76ers camp opens on Tuesday, September 30 at Penn State University.



Reed (6-8, 238) was selected by the Boston Celtics with the 40th overall selection in the 2004 NBA Draft. In three seasons with the Celtics and Minnesota Timberwolves, Reed has appeared in 136 games with nine starts, averaging 3.5 points (40.4% FGs, 75.2% FTs) and 1.4 rebounds in 10.6 minutes per game. Last season, Reed appeared in three preseason games for the Houston Rockets before joining the Austin Toros of the NBA D-League.

In a combined 30 games for the Toros and the Jam, Reed averaged 17.4 points, 6.9 rebounds and 2.4 assists. Reed spent his collegiate career at the University of Mississippi, becoming the first player in school history to earn All-SEC honors in all four seasons and led the team to its first Sweet 16 appearance in school history his freshman year.

Jam Head Coach Scott Roth brought Reed to Bakersfield on February 25 as part of the deal that included the return of guard Mateen Cleaves to Bakersfield. Roth praised the decision of the 76ers in inviting Reed to their camp by saying, "It's awesome! Justin's been working very hard to get back in the league, and the momentum he built up during his time in Bakersfield should help him in camp."

When asked about Reed's time with the Jam, Roth said, "Justin is a force. He did a great job for us, and with (Jam guard) Trey Johnson going to the Suns, we're beginning to make our mark on the NBA." In the 15 games played for Bakersfield, Reed averaged 40 minutes, 20 points and 7 rebounds per game.

Jam owner, David Higdon commented on having two former Jam players heading to NBA camps by saying, "This is another great example of the D-League and Kern County's highest level of professional sports at work. Justin is an amazing athlete, and he was a pleasure to work with last season. We wish him the best of luck at training camp, and we feel confident that his time in Bakersfield helped him get ready for another shot at the NBA."

The NBA Development League, founded in 2001, is the NBA's official minor league and features 16 teams with direct affiliations to NBA teams. The league has produced 15 percent of the players on 2007-08 end-of-season NBA rosters and continues to develop current NBA coaches and referees. In fostering the league's connection to the community, its teams, players and staff promote youth basketball, support local needs and interests, and assist in educational development through NBA D-League Cares programs. The NBA D-League also advances the game of basketball as the research and development arm of the NBA. Throughout this season fans can watch all NBA D-League games on NBA Futurecast, the free live Web-streaming initiative found at nba.com/futurecast.



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