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LOUISVILLE BATS RELEASE 2010 SCHEDULE

Louisville, KY – The Louisville Bats look to defend their West Division Crown when they open their 2010 home season on Wednesday, April 14 vs. the Indianapolis Indians. All fans will receive a 2010 schedule magnet as they enter Louisville Slugger Field for that night's 7:05 p.m. home opener. The team's first homestand of the season features Thunder over Louisville (April 17 vs. Columbus, 2:05 p.m.) and the first of three Education Day games (April 21 vs. Toledo, 11:05 a.m.). Louisville begins the season with a six-game road trip through Toledo and Columbus, April 8-13.

Next season, Louisville has 12 Saturday home games, including Thunder and Independence Day Eve (July 3 vs. Indianapolis). The Bats also have home games on Mother's Day (May 9 vs. Rochester) and Labor Day (September 6 vs. Indianapolis).

Throughout the summer, post-game fireworks will highlight Friday nights while the Bats will continue to host Thursday night's "Game Time" happy hour, kids run the bases on Sundays and acts from the country's best promotional tours on Saturdays.

The 2010 season marks both the 11th year as the Triple-A affiliate of the Cincinnati Reds and at Louisville Slugger Field.

This season, the Bats clinched their second consecutive West Division Title and fourth overall since 2001 (2001, 2003, 2008, 2009). Led by Manager Rick Sweet, who won his second straight International League Manager of the Year Award, the Bats finished 2009 with the best record in the IL (84-58). The 2008-09 seasons were the first back-to-back 80-win seasons in franchise history and the Bats set the franchise record this year with their lowest ERA (3.46).

All times in the schedule are subject to change and road game times are still to be determined. Full and partial season ticket packages are currently available for purchase by calling (502) 212-2287.

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