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METALLICA LAUNCH FIRST NORTH AMERICAN TOUR IN FOUR YEARS!

**MULTI-PLATINUM HARD-ROCK BAND HIT THE ROAD IN SUPPORT OF
NEW ALBUM, *DEATH MAGNETIC*, RELEASED WORLDWIDE ON
SEPTEMBER 12TH**

August 12, 2008 — Burbank, CA — **Metallica** have announced that they will hit the road for their first proper tour of the United States and Canada in four years beginning October 21st in Glendale, AZ. The first leg of the tour will cross North America through fall and early winter landing at Nassau Coliseum on January 29th. Support bands are Machine Head and The Sword.

Metallica is touring in support of their tenth studio album, *Death Magnetic*, which will be released globally on Friday, September 12th. News about the album has been flowing out of Metallica's camp via the band's official website (www.metallica.com) and a new site, missionmetallica.com, which offers users a unique, ground-breaking look-in on the making of the album with producer Rick Rubin via a treasure trove of exclusive content. Metallica fan club members and users who have purchased a Platinum-level membership to Mission Metallica will have first crack at purchasing tickets for the tour when they go on sale. Details about on-sale dates will be announced on both websites shortly.

Death Magnetic is Metallica's first studio album since 2003's multi-platinum *St. Anger*, which hit No. 1 in 30 countries and has sold nearly six million copies worldwide. Formed in Los Angeles in 1981 by drummer Lars Ulrich and guitarist and vocalist James Hetfield, Metallica has become one of the most influential and commercially successful rock bands in history, having sold 100 million albums worldwide and playing to millions of fans the world over. They have garnered numerous awards and accolades, including seven Grammy Awards, two American Music Awards, and multiple MTV Video Music Awards. In addition, their 1991 album, *Metallica*, which has sold 15 million copies in the United States, has been awarded the prestigious "Diamond Award" from the Recording Industry Association of America, given to those albums with U.S. sales of 10 million or more.

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