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PUC HOLDS SMALL BUSINESS EXPO IN SAN DIEGO TO CONNECT COMMUNITY BUSINESSES WITH NEW OPPORTUNITIES

SAN FRANCISCO, February 21, 2006 - The California Public Utilities Commission is holding the second of its Small Business Expos in San Diego on Feb. 23, 2006.

WHY: To give small business owners and operators throughout the state the opportunity to connect with utility representatives in charge of contracting opportunities. This is a great way for small business owners to get their foot in the door of the state's major utilities to discuss specific business opportunities available in 2006!

WHO: PUC Commissioner John Bohn, representatives from Senator Christine Kehoe's office, project managers and contractors from California's major and local utility companies, and small business owners and operators.

"I am happy to be working with Senator Kehoe on this Expo in San Diego," said PUC Commissioner John Bohn. "Our first Expo in Oakland was a great success and I'm glad we can offer the same unique opportunity to bring small businesses and utilities together in San Diego."

"It's important for the Public Utilities Commission to host this Expo so that small business owners can partner with California's major utility companies," said Senator Kehoe. "Here's a great opportunity to help local businesses get in the door with buyers of those essential goods and services throughout the state."

WHEN: Thursday, February 23, 2006, 7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: San Diego Design Center
6455 Lusk Blvd., San Diego

The Commission will hold Expos on March 9th in Bakersfield and March 16th in Sacramento. Upcoming Expos include locations in Riverside and Los Angeles. Information on those Expos will be posted to our website as it becomes available.

For more information on the San Diego Expo and our other Expos, please visit our website at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/static/expos/expos.htm>.

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