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PUC INVITES SMALL BUSINESSES TO ITS ANAHEIM EXPO

SAN FRANCISCO, October 10, 2006 - The California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) is teaming with the Orange County Presidents Council to host a Small Business Expo in Anaheim on Oct. 26, 2006.

- WHAT:** Anaheim Small Business Expo, a free event geared to small business owners to:
- Help connect small businesses to utility procurement specialists
 - Educate on the benefits of becoming certified as a woman-owned, minority-owned, and/or disabled veteran-owned business
 - Inform small businesses of utility best business practices and “how to get in the door” with utility companies
 - Inform small businesses of utility contract opportunities
 - Provide networking with other small business owners

WHEN: Thursday, October 26, 2006
8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

SCHEDULE

- 8 a.m.: Registration/Matchmaking Signups/Continental Breakfast
- 9 a.m.: Welcome/Presentations
- 9:30 a.m.: Matchmaking Session during which small business owners have an opportunity to meet one-on-one through 10-minute appointments with the utilities’ procurement specialists
- 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.: Informational booths available

WHERE: Disney’s Paradise Pier Hotel, Pacific Ballroom
1717 South Disneyland Dr., Anaheim.

WHO: PUC Commissioner John Bohn and representatives from California Water Association, Cox Communications, Orange County Presidents Council, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Sempra Energy (includes San Diego Gas and Electric Company and Southern California Gas Company), Southern California Edison, T-Mobile, Verizon/Verizon Wireless, and many more!

PARKING: Free parking on Disney premises with validation.

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Pre-registration is encouraged but not required, as walk-ins are welcome. To pre-register and obtain more information, please visit http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/static/expos/_index.htm.

The Anaheim Small Business Expo is the eighth expo that the Commission is hosting; it is the final one of the year.

For more information on the PUC, please visit www.cpuc.ca.gov.

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