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GAS COMPANY TO HOST FREE SCHOOLS SYMPOSIUM ON OCTOBER 14, 2010

South Bay Environmental Services Center (SBESC) provides critical energy and water saving information to businesses, residents, municipal governments, school districts and other special agencies. Through its partnership with the Southern California Gas Company, SBESC has the following important bulletin:

The Gas Company will host a **FREE** Schools Symposium on Thursday, October 14, 2010 at their Energy Resource Center, 9240 Firestone Blvd., Downey, CA 90241, from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm. The theme is “Formula for Success: Saving Energy and Water + Saving Money = Funding for More Projects.”

The symposium is aimed at key decision makers for K-12 schools and higher education institutions in Southern California, such as energy and utility managers, chief business officials, facilities personnel, school superintendents, and even school board members. Attendees will hear specialized tracks for public and private K-12 and higher education institutions. This workshop will help explain a formula for success with the latest news on legislation, and offer solutions for budgeting constraints.

Attendees will learn how to develop cost-effective, water-wise and energy-efficient solutions during tough economic times. ***Experts will demonstrate proven ways to stretch budgets using energy-efficiency rebates, incentives, assessments and other services to reduce upfront costs and shorten payback time without sacrificing the comfort of students and staff.***

Keynote speakers will be Bonnie Reiss, the California Secretary of Education, and Coach Ron Tunick, author of *“The Thinking Room.”* Coach Ron’s revolutionary ideas and practical advice offer his audiences new insight for achieving goals.

Pre-registration is required as space is limited. Check-in time is 8:00 am on October 14, 2010. A continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Complimentary transportation is available in select areas. For more information, visit the Gas Company’s registration website at <http://seminars.socalgas.com>.

This event is co-sponsored with: The Los Angeles Department of Water & Power, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, San Diego Gas & Electric, and Southern California Edison.

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SBESC is the South Bay's local clearinghouse for energy and water efficiency training, materials and other environmental information. SBESC works closely with the sixteen South Bay cities and County Unincorporated Areas of the South Bay on the implementation of energy and water saving projects that reduce greenhouse gases as well as costs. SBESC provides resources and tools to assist residents, businesses, and public agencies in better understanding the potential for energy and water efficiency within their homes and businesses. The Center hosts a wide variety of seminars, training sessions, and participates in many community events to assist consumers in making the best decision regarding energy and water use. SBESC is operated by the South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) which partners with The Gas CompanySM, Southern California Edison, West Basin Municipal Water District, City of Torrance Water Department, Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, and County of Los Angeles. Visit www.sbesc.com for the latest activities, schedules and opportunities to participate in a greener South Bay.