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PREPARING FOR THE LEGISLATIVE YEAR AHEAD

With the President set to release his fiscal year 2009 budget request on February 4, lawmakers are already beginning to consider how they will move spending bills as they return to Washington this week for the second session of the 110th Congress.

Congressional strategy for moving fiscal 2009 appropriations comes on the heels of a massive omnibus measure that was passed only weeks ago to secure funding for fiscal year 2008 programs (PL 110-161). In contrast to last year's developments, in the legislative year ahead Congress will have the following options for handling appropriations bills:

- devoting substantial floor time to move individual bills and risking a Presidential veto for increases in domestic spending; or
- postponing spending work until a lame-

duck Congress after the elections; or

Congressional Quarterly reports that another possibility being floated in the House is to take up a fiscal 2009 funding resolution in the spring or early summer at the President's proposed discretionary spending level that would cover the period from Oct. 1 – the start of the new fiscal year – through early 2009, when a new President will move into the White House.

Also, while the FY09 budget is set to be released in February, the FY10 budget is currently being developed at the various DOE sites. Please contact your DOE site office about participating in the FY10 budget process.

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WASHINGTON UPDATE

ECA SENDS ASSISTANT SECRETARY RISPOLI A LETTER IN SUPPORT OF A PROPOSED STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE AT THE DOE PORTSMOUTH SITE IN OHIO

January 2, 2008

Hon. James Rispoli
Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management
U.S. Department of Energy
1000 Independence Ave. SW
Washington, DC 20585

RE: Energy Communities Alliance Support for the Ohio Stakeholder Advisory Committee (Portsmouth)

Dear Assistant Secretary Rispoli:

For three years local elected officials and other community leaders have been requesting the Department of Energy establish a formal community involvement process in Piketon, OH to address cleanup and related future use options at the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant (PORTS). For three years DOE has "discussed" this need with them but little action has been taken. Earlier this Fall in response to the DOE site manager's request that the com-

munity identify how DOE should engage the community, local officials – organized under the Southern Ohio Diversification Initiative (SODI) – formed a new group called the Ohio Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC).

The SAC has been endorsed by all levels of government – from the township level up to Governor Strickland and Ohio's Senators. Also, the SAC has been developed with and is supported by local and international labor organizations, economic interests, and other local leaders. Despite this critical support, Energy Communities Alliance (ECA) has been told that DOE resists supporting this forum. Community leaders are frustrated to the point of wondering if community involvement will occur at the site.

As you have advocated, community engagement is integral to successful

environmental cleanups as local leaders bring critical perspectives to the many technical and policy issues DOE, Congress and regulatory agencies will address. As details of the PORTS cleanup are coming to light, the few members of the community aware of the DOE's plans are clamoring to learn more and weigh in on the process. The local community remains committed to partnering with DOE and its contractors to remediate PORTS in a manner that meets both local interests and state and national priorities.

ECA has learned that Ohio EPA has been engaged by DOE on a variety of issues from the regulatory framework for cleanup to specifics of an on-site disposal cell for cleanup debris.

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DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BILL RETURNS TO HOUSE FLOOR AFTER BUSH RECESS VETO

Congress is set to take up the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (HR. 1585) again upon the House's return to business this week. According to the current congressional calendar, the House will hold a veto override vote on Tuesday evening.

The change in events comes as a result of a purported recess veto of the authorization act on December 28. Some are questioning the constitutional legitimacy of the President's move, but Congress is proceeding as if the veto is valid with the upcoming veto override vote.

President Bush declared his disapproval of the bill in a statement focusing on a provision which could potentially tie up Iraq's assets over claims by victims of Saddam Hussein. If the veto override attempt fails to play itself out,

the most likely fix available to Congress in this stage of the game is to bring a new bill to the floor that addressed the White House's concerns.

When enacted, the defense authorization act will require DOE Office of Environmental Management, among other things, to provide a *Report on Status of Environmental Management Initiatives to Accelerate the Reduction of Environmental Risks and Challenges Posed by the Legacy of the Cold War* to appropriate Congressional committees.



SAVANNAH RIVER NUCLEAR SOLUTIONS SELECTED AS SRS MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS CONTRACTOR

Last week, DOE announced that Savannah River Nuclear Solutions has been awarded the management and operations contract at the Savannah River Site (SRS). Savannah River Nuclear Solutions is a team of companies led by Fluor Federal Services, Inc., and comprised of Honeywell International, Inc., a Northrop Grumman Company, and subcontractors Lockheed Martin Services, Inc. and Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. The contract is a cost-plus award-fee contract valued at approximately \$800 million per year and is for a five-year base period with the option to extend it for up to five additional years. The contract covers environmental

cleanup work at SRS, operation of the Savannah River National Lab, and NNSA activities. The SRS management and operating contract is the first to be awarded as part of DOE's innovative contracting strategy for the Savannah River site. This strategy will increase the number of prime contracts on the site as the Department focuses on continuing cleanup momentum and accomplishing specific mission critical activities, according to a DOE statement. The transition period of the new contractor will begin on January 24, 2008 and will be completed in 90 days.

ECA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS:

ECA is accepting nominations for membership on the 2008 Executive Committee. Executive Committee positions include: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. Nominations may be submitted to Mayor Kevin Phillips, ECA's Immediate Past-Chair and Chair of the Nominating Committee by sending a fax to (202)828-2488.

2008 Executive Committee Elections will take place at the ECA Board Meeting held on Feb.21. The newly-elected Executive Committee will be announced at the Annual Conference on Feb. 22.

FY 2009 Appropriations Process

January	January 28, 2008 9:00 p.m. EST, President Bush delivers the state of the Union Address
February	The President submits his budget request to Congress Feb. 4 DOE briefs the public on its budget ECA members develop legislative agenda ECA holds its Annual Conference Feb. 21-22 Meetings held with congressional and DOE staff to discuss community priorities
March– April	Congressional hearings on appropriations bills begin
May- June	Senate and House committees mark up appropriations bills. Follow up with congressional members
July - August	Senate and House versions of the appropriations bills are sent to conference to iron out differences Follow up with congressional members
August - Sept	Appropriations bills go to the Senate and House for votes Bills go to the President for signature Fiscal year ends September 30

DEEP LAYOFFS ANNOUNCED FOR YUCCA MOUNTAIN PROGRAM

As a result of major cuts to the Yucca Mountain program budget, DOE announced last week that it was closing the tunnel at the repository. This latest setback to the repository program forced the project's main contractor, Bechtel SAIC Company, to lay off all but 15 "caretaking" employees who will maintain and monitor the site.

The funding cuts for the Yucca program were contained in an omnibus spending bill (PL 110-161) which

included a reduction of over \$100 million for the program

"It is too early to tell with any specificity what the impact might be, but less money often means that a process may slow down" said Daile Klein, Nuclear Regulatory Commission Chairman, in a December statement.

However, John Keeley, a spokesman for the Nuclear Energy Institute, a trade group for the nuclear

industry, said, "Nothing indicates it's a setback for the project."

Ward Sproat, Director of the DOE office in charge of Yucca, agreed, recently assuring the NRC that DOE will submit a license application by June 30 deadline despite cautionary remarks of late.

Interim Storage as Path Forward

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OAK RIDGE: FY 2007 CLEANUP PROGRESS REPORT- FORTHCOMING

As required by the Oak Ridge Reservation Federal Facility Agreement (FFA), the FY 2007 issue of *Cleanup Progress: Annual Report to the Oak Ridge Community* (DOE/ORO-2254) is anticipated to be ready for transmittal by mid-January. This document provides an update on the cleanup status of Oak Ridge Reservation.

WIPP RECEIVES 100TH REMOTE-HANDLED WASTE SHIPMENT

On Jan. 5, the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant safely received its 100th shipment remote-handled transuranic waste, all of which have come from the Idaho National Laboratory.

Remote-handled waste has a higher dose rate at the surface of the disposal container, requiring it to be shielded and remotely handled by workers, as opposed to contact-handled waste.

"Years of preparation went into the (remote-handled waste) program before the first shipment ever arrived at WIPP," said Dave Moody, Carlsbad Field Office manager.

"Thanks to the diligent efforts of the RH team, the program has been a success and we've made great progress."

The first remote-handled shipment was received Jan. 23, 2007. "All the shipments have been transported safely," said DOE spokesman Dennis Hurtt, adding that the

site averages four to five remote-handled shipments per week.

Shipments to WIPP are made in sturdy shipping containers certified by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Since 1999, WIPP has received more than 6,300 shipments.

The Waste Isolation Pilot Plant is a U.S. Department of Energy facility designed to safely isolate defense-related transuranic waste from people and the environment.

Waste temporarily stored at sites around the country is shipped to WIPP and permanently disposed of in rooms mined out of an ancient salt formation 2,150 feet below the surface. WIPP, which began waste disposal operations in 1999, is located about 26 miles outside of Carlsbad.

FEDERAL ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS PAVE THE WAY FOR SICK NUCLEAR WORKERS COMPENSATION

The Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health last week granted Special Exposure Cohorts (SEC) status to people who worked at former nuclear weapons sites at Mound and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. Former workers from the Nevada Test Site and Fernald site in Ohio also petitioned the advisory board for SEC status.

The Advisory Board – a subcommittee of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health – will send its SEC decisions to Michael O. Leavitt, secretary of health and human services, for final approval.

SEC status is key in former nuclear workers' petitions for federal compensation through the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 because of the current challenges in proving that worker

LANL: LAYOFFS AVERTED; MANY EMPLOYEES VOLUNTARILY OPT FOR SEVERANCE PACKAGE

Last fall, LANL announced that it would be cutting 500-750 jobs due budget constraints and began planning for workforce restructuring as required by Section 3161 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1993.

ECA and its Los Alamos members immediately became concerned with potential layoffs and the impact on the local community. On December 4, ECA sent a letter to NNSA Administrator Thomas D'Agostino expressing the organization's concerns and requesting local government participation in the development of workforce restructuring plans.

NNSA Responds to ECA Letter

Earlier this month, Administrator D'Agostino responded to the ECA letter,

writing that he shared ECA's concerns about job loss and stakeholder consultation in development of workforce restructuring plans at NNSA sites. The letter stated that local governments can participate in the workforce plans through the normal public participation channels, including commenting on draft plans once posted on the web.

The NNSA letter can be found at page .

Complex Transformation Plan Poses Yet Another Challenge for Jobs at NNSA Facilities

The National Nuclear Security Administration released on January 7, 2008, the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement on the Transformation of the Nuclear Weapons Complex.

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Deputy Energy Secretary Sell Resigns

On January 14, 2008, Clay Sell, Deputy Energy Secretary, announced his resignation from the U.S. Department of Energy and will leave office in February. ECA thanks Mr. Sell for his distinguished service and support of energy communities while at the Department and during his tenure with the U.S. Senate.

Communicating With DOE and Congress: Key Contacts for 2008

As ECA members prepare for a new year of creating and maintaining relationships with federal officials, this is a good time to review how to contact the appropriate offices and correct staffers within DOE and Congress. The following table contains key DOE and Congressional contacts:

To contact DOE and NNSA personnel, the DOE online phonebook – located at <http://phonebook.doe.gov> – is a helpful resource. This directory features information on headquarters, field and laboratory staff.

The following is a list of House and Senate committees that address energy-related issues and the contact information for relevant committee staff members:

House Armed Services Committee

Chairman: Ike Skelton (D-MO)

Ranking Member: Duncan Hunter (R-CA)

Bipartisan Staff: Erin Conaton, Staff Director

Director, 202/225-4151 (p)

Minority: Robert L. Simmons II,

Minority Staff Director,

202/225-9648 (p)

2120 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20515-6035

202/225-4151 (p)

House Energy & Commerce Committee

Chairman: John Dingell (D-MI)

Ranking Member: Joe Barton (R-TX)

Majority: Dennis Fitzgibbons, Chief of Staff

Director, 202/225-2927 (p)

Bruce Harris – Energy Issues

Minority: David L. Cavicke, Chief of Staff

202/225-3641 (p)

David McCarthy – Energy Issues

2125 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20515-6115

House Energy & Water Development Appropriations Subcommittee

Chairman: Peter J. Visclosky (D-IN)

Ranking Member: David L. Hobson (R-OH)

Communicating with DOE and Congress Continued...

Majority: Dixon Butler, Clerk,

202/225-3421 (p)

Terry Tyborowski — Energy Issues

Minority: Kevin Cook, Clerk, 202/225-3481 (p)2362-B

Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, DC

2051202/225-3421 (p)

Terry Tyborowski — Energy Issues

Minority: Kevin Cook, Clerk, 202/225-3481 (p)2362-B

DEEP LAYOFFS ANNOUNCED FOR YUCCA MOUNTAIN PROGRAM (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4)

While it appears that the Yucca program is losing support and facing increasing hurdles, the need for a long-term solution to our nuclear waste disposal problem remains. The federal government's growing liability to utilities for not moving nuclear waste off-site to a permanent repository continues to be a huge taxpayer burden.

So, what is the answer to move nuclear waste policy forward? Congress – in the recently enacted omnibus spending bill – calls for DOE to consider consolidating spent nuclear fuel either at an existing federal site, at one or more existing operating reactor sites, or at a competitively selected interim-storage site. The bill states that GNEP siting grant communities should be considered as part of this competitive selection process, which is consistent with the decision not to fund aggressive facility construction and technology deployment elements of the GNEP program in a separate provision of the appropriations bill.

ECA Members Will Learn More at Peer Exchange

The Yucca program, interim storage, and the budget are topics to be discussed at the upcoming ECA waste disposition peer exchange to be held in Las Vegas, NV, Jan. 16-18. ECA members will discuss hot topics with their colleagues from around the complex and officials from the Offices of Environmental Management and Civilian and Radioactive Waste Management, and the Nuclear Energy Institute.

Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20515-6020

Senate Armed Services Strategic Forces

Majority: Madelyn Creedon, Professional

Staff Member, 202/224-9338 (p)

Energy issues staffer not yet decided

Minority: Mike Kostiw, Professional Staff

Member, 202/224-4928 (p)

Kristine Svinicki — Energy Issues

228 Russell Senate Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20510-6050

202-224-3871 (p)

Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee

Chairman: Jeff Bingaman (D-NM)

Ranking Member: Pete V. Domenici (R-NM)

Majority: Robert M. Simon, Majority

Staff Director, 202/224-9201 (p)

Deborah Estes — Energy Issues

Minority: Frank Macchiarola, Minority

Staff Director, 202/224-1004 (p)

Kathryn Clay — Energy Issues

364 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20510-6150

202-224-4971 (p)

Senate Energy & Water Development Appropriations Subcommittee

Chairman: Byron Dorgan (D-ND)

Ranking Member: Pete V. Domenici (R-NM)

Majority: Doug Clapp, Clerk,

202/224-8119 (p)

Minority: Scott O'Malia, Clerk,

202/224-7260 (p)

Energy issues staffer not yet decided

133 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20510-6030

SUPPORT LETTER TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY RISPOLI

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The Ohio EPA has indicated that DOE should involve this community on all cleanup matters, employ lessons learned other sites, and not approach the PORTS cleanup in a piecemeal fashion.


SODI has followed the precedent established at Rocky Flats – DOE's biggest cleanup success story of any site – but goes one step further by bringing together both elected officials and other community leaders into a single centralized forum. SODI has also adopted procedures that ensure the SAC will be open and that Committee membership will reflect a broad cross-section of the community, while maintaining the group as independent of DOE, a key element of the community's support for the process.

Requested Actions

Please create a community involvement vehicle supported by local and state governments at PORTS. To accomplish this EM should support the Ohio Stakeholders Advisory Committee to create a formal community involvement process. This Committee has all of the key ingredients necessary to make it a certain success for DOE and the community. In supporting the SAC, DOE will be supporting a key tenant of ECA's policies and DOE's successes.

Please contact ECA's Executive Director, Seth Kirshen-berg with any questions at (202) 828-2494.

Sincerely,



Lorraine Anderson,
ECA Chair
Mayor Pro Tem, Arvada, CO

cc: Melissa Nielson, Public and Intergovernmental
Accountability, US DOE
Doug Frost, Public and Intergovernmental
Accountability, US DOE
Tom Winston, District Chief, Ohio EPA
Senator Brown
Senator Voinovich
Gov. Strickland
ECA Board of Directors
Seth Kirshen-berg, Executive Director, Energy
Communities Alliance

LANL: LAYOFFS AVERTED

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The Notice of Availability for the draft SPEIS was published in the Federal Register and the public has until April 10, 2008 to review and provide comments. Nineteen public hearings will be held across the country starting at the end of February.

The SPEIS evaluates NNSA's proposal for continuing the transformation of the nuclear weapons complex, along with a range of reasonable alternatives. NNSA's objective is to create a nuclear weapons infrastructure that is smaller, safer, more secure, and less expensive. "The proposal described in the SPEIS would move NNSA from an outdated, Cold War nuclear weapons complex to one that is better able to support our future national security needs," said NNSA Administrator Thomas P.

D'Agostino.

The draft SPEIS evaluates four alternatives to address NNSA's needs: maintaining the status quo, distributed centers of excellence, consolidated centers of excellence, and a capabilities-based complex. The SPEIS also contains a preferred alternative, the distributed centers of excellence, which would consolidate missions and facilities within the existing NNSA sites. NNSA would eliminate redundancies in missions, capabilities, and facilities, eventually saving money in the future. The Complex Transformation Plan represents yet another challenge with dealing with job loss in ECA communities. ECA requests that NNSA engage ECA and its member communities early and often during the workforce restructuring planning process.

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16TH ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE



February 21-22, 2008

ECA Headquarters/Phoenix Park Hotel

2008 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Thursday, February 21

1:00-4:30 pm **ECA Board Meeting/Hill Meetings**
(open to all ECA Members and invited guests)

5:00-7:00 pm **ECA Reception on the Hill**

Friday, February 22*

Phoenix Park Hotel, 520 N. Capitol St. NW

7:45 – 8:45 am **Breakfast and Registration**

8:45 – 9:15 am **Setting the Stage for 2008 and Keynote Address**
Welcome: ECA Chair Lorraine Anderson, Mayor Pro Tem, Arvada, CO
Seth Kirshenberg, Executive Director ECA

9:30 – 10:00 am **Environmental Cleanup — 2008 and Beyond**
Introduction: Robert Thompson, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Richland, WA
Speaker: James Rispoli, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, U.S. Department of Energy

10:00 – 10:15 am **Break**

10:15 – 11:15 am **DOE Budget Update and Discussion**
Speaker: Mark Frei, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Program Planning & Budget, Office of Environmental Management, U.S. Department of Energy
Speaker: Martin Schneider, Editor-in-Chief, Exchange Monitor Publications, Washington, DC

11:15 – 12:00 pm **Washington Insiders Session**

12:00 – 1:00 pm **Luncheon: The Future of the National Nuclear Security Administration**
Speaker: Thomas D'Agostino, Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration

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For more information, please contact Nithin Akuthota at 202-828-2423 or by email at nithina@energyca.org

1:00 – 2:00pm

Update from the Hill: Congressional Staff Briefing

Speaker: Jonathan Epstein, Office of Senator Jeff Bingaman (invited)

Scott O'Malia, Senate Energy & Water Development Appropriations Subcommittee (invited)

Madelyn Creedon, Senate Armed Services Committee (invited)

Erin Conaton, Majority Staff Director, House Armed Services Committee

Dixon Butler, Majority Staff, House Energy & Water Development Appropriations Subcommittee (invited)

2:00 – 2:45 pm

GNEP, Interim Storage and Long-term Storage — Tying It All Together

Speaker: Paul Lisowski, Deputy Director for Advanced Nuclear Energy Systems, office of Nuclear Energy, U.S. Department of Energy (invited)

Speaker: Eric Knox, Associate Director for System Operations and External Relations, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, U.S. Department of Energy

Speaker: Marshall Cohen, Senior Director, Nuclear Energy Institute, Washington, DC

2:45 – 3:00 pm

Break

3:00 – 3:45 pm

A View From Regulators and Experts

Moderator: Douglas Frost, ECA Project Officer, Office of Public and Intergovernmental Accountability, U.S. Department of Energy

Speaker: Amy Fitzgerald, Government/Public Affairs Coordinator, City of Oak Ridge, TN (invited)

Speaker: Mike Wilson, Congressional Liaison, Nuclear Waste Program, Washington Department of Ecology, member of the National Governors Association Federal Facilities Task Force

Speaker: Willie Preacher, Tribal/DOE Director, Shoshone Bannock Tribes, member of the State and Tribal Government Working Group (invited)

Speaker: Gail Cooper, Deputy Director, Federal Facilities Restoration and Reuse Office, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (invited)

3:45 – 4:15 pm

Roundtable: DOE and Communities Moving Forward in 2008

Moderators: Seth Kirshenberg, Executive Director, ECA
Nithin Akuthota, Deputy Director, ECA

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ECA's 16th Annual Conference in Washington, DC will feature discussions on the changes in Congress and how they will affect DOE communities. The Conference is an opportunity for local government officials to interact with DOE, Congress, the Administration and Washington Insiders to discuss topics facing the future of the Department of Energy.

CONFERENCE FOCUS:

- ◆ Setting the Stage for 2008
- ◆ Presidential Politics
- ◆ Changes in Congress
- ◆ FY09 Appropriations
- ◆ GNEP
- ◆ Integration of DOE Missions
- ◆ Environmental Cleanup
- ◆ Waste Disposition

REGISTRATION:

Registration includes all sessions, continental breakfast, and lunch on February 22nd. For more information go to <http://www.energyca.org/meetings.htm>

ENERGY COMMUNITIES ALLIANCE:

ECA is an organization of local communities that have major DOE installations as neighbors. ECA brings together local government officials in energy communities to share information, establish policy positions, and advocate community interests in the DOE arena.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

- ◆ Mayors, Councilmembers, County Commissioners
- ◆ DOE Contractors
- ◆ Municipal Administrators
- ◆ DOE and EPA Officials
- ◆ State Representatives
- ◆ Congressional Staff
- ◆ Nonprofit Organizations

HOTEL INFORMATION:

The 2008 ECA Annual Conference will be held at the Phoenix Park Hotel (One block from the Capital and one block from Union Station). A block of rooms have been reserved at a **special rate of \$229** per night. Reservations may be made by calling the hotel at 800/824-5419 or 202/638-6900. Attendees should identify themselves as ECA members (or ask for Booking Code 11632) in order to obtain the special ECA hotel rate. Attendees can also make reservations online at: <http://www.phoenixparkhotel.com> (enter ECA Internet Group Code 11632). Reserve early to get a room at the special rate, **reservations must be made by Tuesday, Janu-**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

January 16-18- ECA Peer Exchange on Waste Disposition, Las Vegas, NV

February 4, 2008- FY09 Budget Release

February 21-22, 2008- ECA Annual Conference

February 24-28, 2008- 34th Waste Management Symposium, Phoenix, AZ

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