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## MEDIA ADVISORY

### LOS ANGELES MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA TO KICK OFF SPRING GREEN EXPO THIS THURSDAY, JUNE 10

**WHAT:** Hosted by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, the Spring Green Expo is an educational event featuring more than 70 exhibits and one-hour seminars focusing on cutting edge green design, technology and practices for consumers and businesses. Admission is free.

**WHEN:** **Thursday, June 10, starting with opening ceremony at 8:30 a.m., seminars to begin at 9:30 a.m. and continue through 2 p.m.**

**WHERE:** Metropolitan headquarters building, 700 N. Alameda St., downtown Los Angeles, immediately adjoining historic Union Station. (Los Angeles County Thomas Brothers Guide Page 634, G-3)

### **PARTICIPANTS:**

Los Angeles Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa will join Metropolitan board Chairman Timothy F. Brick at opening ceremony. Other participants include scientist David Yates of the National Center for Atmospheric Research; Alec Loorz, 16-year-old founder of the non-profit Kids vs. Global Warming; faculty panel from UCLA's Institute of the Environment; and students from 13 Southern California colleges and universities.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The expo will showcase the latest in water sustainability, innovations in green design for housing, and new solar power applications. With a focus on the cutting edge of green design, the expo will have seminars and more than 70 exhibits from college students as well as businesses and public agencies.

Seminar topics include Southern California Water Agencies—Sustainability Innovations, Responding to a Changed Climate and Building an Award-Winning Sustainable Home.

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*The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is a cooperative of 26 cities and water agencies serving 19 million people in six counties. The district imports water from the Colorado River and Northern California to supplement local supplies, and helps its members to develop increased water conservation, recycling, storage and other resource-management programs.*