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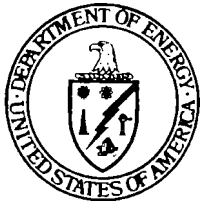
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The Secretary of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

March 30, 2000

The Honorable Sandra Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy
736 Jackson Place
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Ms. Thurman:

It is my pleasure to invite you to join me at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Energy Ministers Conference: "*Turning Vision Into Reality*" in San Diego, California, on May 10-12, 2000, which the Department of Energy will co-sponsor with the City of San Diego. I hope that you will be able to join me and the 20 other Ministers from the APEC member economies.

The Conference will focus on strategies to implement existing policy commitments and to enhance investment in clean and sustainable energy development, opportunities for intra-regional energy market integration, and continued transition to a market-oriented business climate. The theme of this ministerial Conference, "*Turning Vision into Reality*," will give us the opportunity to consider the challenges of clean and sustainable energy development in the APEC energy sector and to formulate policies that collectively address these challenges on a regional basis.

The APEC region has the potential to become an enormous market for energy products and services in the future. Energy and electricity demand continues to grow at a steady pace. The Conference will provide the opportunity to participate in a public/private dialogue to help guide the development of these markets.

The Conference will have three parts:

1. Interactive discussions involving Ministers, senior industry, and financial representatives who will address critical issues on investment in clean and sustainable energy development and use, regional energy cooperation, and attracting private sector investment. There are a series of social events in the program to provide opportunities for informal interactions with the Ministers.
2. An exhibition, which would run throughout the Conference, where APEC energy companies, energy ministries, and nongovernmental organizations will have the opportunity to exhibit their energy technologies and services.



3. A meeting of the Energy Ministers to discuss the implementation of existing energy policy commitments, a clean energy statement, and policies required to create the investment climate for infrastructure development. A program is being developed for the private sector, which will run concurrently with the Ministers meeting.

The Conference will take place at the San Diego Marriott Hotel and Marina. Enclosed is a description of the Conference and registration information. I encourage you to visit the Conference website at www.apecenergy.org for updates. If you have questions, please have your staff contact Ms. Cathy Brantley, Office of International Affairs, at (202) 586-3800.

Please reserve May 10-12 on your calendar and join us at this important event. I look forward to seeing you in San Diego.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Bill Richardson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Bill Richardson

Enclosures

Preliminary Agenda

Day 1

Wednesday, May 10, 2000

12:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Registration

3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Exhibit Hall Open

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Welcome Reception

(Open to all conference participants)

Day 2

Thursday, May 11, 2000

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Registration

9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Exhibit Hall Open

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Conference Breakfast

(Open to all conference participants)

9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Opening Plenary

10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Coffee Break

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Ministers and Industry Panel on Clean and Sustainable Energy Development: Efficiency, Technology and Policy

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Luncheon

(Open to all conference participants)

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Concurrent Breakout Sessions: Ministers and Industry Panels on Natural Gas and Electricity

5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.

Ministers Dialogue with Energy Working Group Business Network and Business Leaders

(Invitation Only)

8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Gala Reception and Dinner

(Open to all conference participants)

Day 3

Friday, May 12, 2000

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

(Open to all conference participants)

9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Ministers Meeting

(Ministers Only)

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Private Sector Seminars

9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Exhibit Hall Open

1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Press Conference

1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Ministers Lunch

(Ministers Only)

1:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Free Time

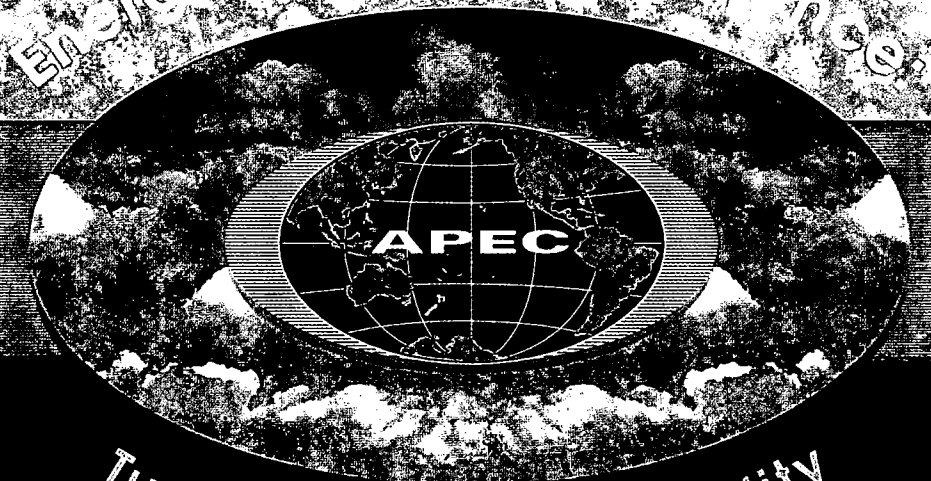
7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Closing Reception

Planet Hollywood

(Open to all conference participants)

APEC
Energy Ministers Conference



Turning Vision Into Reality

May 10-12, 2000

San Diego Marriott Hotel and Marina

San Diego, California

Co-sponsored by the Department of Energy and the City of San Diego



Letter From The Secretary

I invite you to join me for the APEC Energy Ministers Conference. This conference, co-hosted by the Department of Energy and the City of San Diego, will focus on the implementation of policies to foster the creation of the energy infrastructure to meet the economic and environmental needs of the 21st Century.

The theme of this Ministerial, *Turning Vision Into Reality*, will give us the opportunity to consider the challenges of clean and sustainable energy development in the APEC energy sector and to formulate policies that collectively address these challenges on a regional basis.

By bringing together energy ministers



Letter From The Mayor

Dear Energy Ministers and Conference Delegates:

On behalf of the City of San Diego, I want to officially welcome you to the APEC Energy Ministers Conference. It is a great honor to be the first city in the United States to host this important gathering of Energy Ministers and business leaders from twenty-one diverse economies.

For the City of San Diego, the APEC Energy Ministers Conference highlights the necessity of maintaining strong international ties in order to enhance trade and economic development along the Pacific Rim. I strongly endorse APEC's efforts to expand liberalization, privatization, and regional integration of trade, while at the same time incorporating strategies that will support clean and sustainable energy and economic development on a global scale.

During your visit to San Diego, you'll discover a city rich in the arts and culture, nationally recognized theater, the largest concentration of museums west of the Mississippi and a lively downtown and award-winning restaurants. We are also recognized as the home of first-class academic and research institutions such as the University of California at

San Diego, Salk Institute and the Scripps Institute of Oceanography, as well as a leading center of technological innovations. Finally, when you mix attractions such as Sea World, Seaport Village and the world-famous San Diego Zoo with the warmth of our people, you'll soon discover why San Diego is known as "America's Finest City."

I look forward to seeing you in San Diego and working with all of you to realize our goals.

Bill Richardson
U.S. Secretary of Energy

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As a city that has hosted many high-level events, I can assure you that every effort has been made to ensure that your conference and visit to San Diego are both productive and enjoyable. From the ideal conference amenities of the San Diego Marriott Hotel and Marina to the top quality conference organizers at the San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau, I know you will have a memorable time in our City.

I look forward to joining Energy Secretary Bill Richardson, the San Diego APEC Conference Host Committee, and our many corporate sponsors in personally welcoming you at the Opening Ceremony of the APEC Energy Ministers Conference on May 10th.

Sincerely
Susan Golding
Mayor, City of San Diego

General Information

Conference Location

San Diego Marriott Hotel & Marina
333 W. Harbor Drive
San Diego, CA 92101-7700
(619) 234-1500
FAX (619) 234-8678

Hotel Information

All sessions and exhibitions will take place at the San Diego Marriott Hotel & Marina unless otherwise identified on the conference agenda. Facilities are wheelchair accessible. Requests for special meals or smoking accommodations must be made in advance. Requests for hotel accommodations must be directed to:

Marriott Reservations 1-800-228-9290
Hotel direct 619-234-1500 ext. 6800

The cut off date for reservations is April 25, 2000. After this date accommodations and rates are based on availability.

Hotel Rate

\$150.00 Non Government
\$115.00 Government (Government I.D. required.)
All reservations must be accompanied by a first night deposit, or guaranteed with a major credit card. Hotel room rates are subject to applicable state and local taxes (currently 10.5% and a \$.22 per room commerce fee). Hotel reservations must be received on or before April 25, 2000. Hotel reservations after the cut off date will be accepted on a space and rate availability. Please identify yourself as member of an APEC delegation or as a general conference participant.

How to Register

Complete the registration form provided and mail along with payment to:
SoBran, Inc., APEC Conference Headquarters
9514 Lee Highway, Suite B
Fairfax, VA 22031
You may also register online at www.apecenergy.org. For further information contact SoBran, Inc. at 703-352-7633 Fax: 703-352-9513

Registration Fee Information

Pre-Registration	\$450.00
(On-line or postmarked on or before April 25, 2000)	
Late Registration	\$550.00
(On-line or postmarked after April 25, 2000)	
On-Site Registration	\$550.00
Spouse Registration	\$350.00
(Includes participation in all meals and special events)	
Student	\$100.00
(Includes attendance at conference meetings only)	

Method of Payment

Credit cards (Visa, Master Card or American Express) and checks and money orders made payable to the **San Diego Convention & Visitors Bureau** will be the only accepted forms of payment for registration. Please do not send cash through the mail. On-site registration, if paid in cash, must be paid in U.S. dollars only.

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If you are registering with a credit card, you may fax the attached Registration form to (703) 352-9513. To register on-line visit the APEC Energy Ministers Conference website (www.apecenergy.org). Confirmation notices will be sent within 7 days of receipt of registration form. Retain a copy of all registration forms for your records.

Cancellation policy

Cancellations must be received in writing by May 1, 2000. A refund processing fee of \$50.00 will be charged. Acknowledgment of cancellation will be sent upon receipt of request.

On-Site Registration Booth Hours

Wednesday, May 10, 2000
12:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 11, 2000
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Exhibit Information:

Exhibit opportunities are available for your company/organization.

For specific information please contact:
John Reyes
San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau
401 B Street, Suite 1400
San Diego, CA 92101
(619) 557-2803

Exhibit Fee: \$2,500.00 (Does NOT include Conference Registration)
(Includes 8X10' booth, pipe & drape, signage, table, and electric outlet if needed)
For shipping instructions contact San Diego Conference and Visitors Bureau.

Sponsorship Opportunities are Available Through the City of San Diego

For Details, contact:
Mary L. Braunwarth
Employee Relations and Special Projects
The City of San Diego
1250 Sixth Avenue, Suite 700, MS807
San Diego, CA 92101
(619) 533-6713

Spouse Program

A program consisting of visits to cultural and civic points of interest will be available for participants of the conference.

For further information call:

SoBran, Inc. APEC Conference Headquarters
Phone: (703) 352-7633
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Registration Form (Please provide a separate form for each registrant.)

☐ Conference Participant ☐ Spouse Registration

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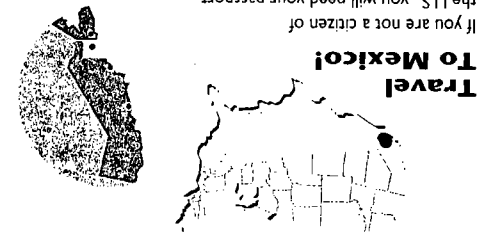
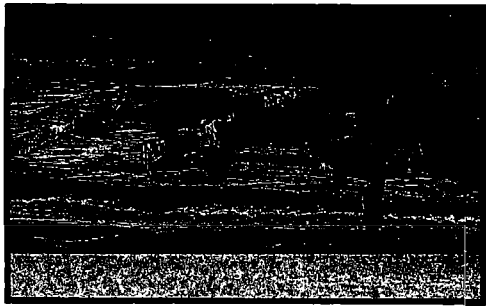
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Location, Location, Location.
San Diego's geography makes it an ideal destination. It is bordered on the south by Mexico, on the west by the Pacific Ocean and on the east by mountains and Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, one of the largest state parks in the United States. Disneyland and the Los Angeles metropolitan area are a mere 90 miles north.

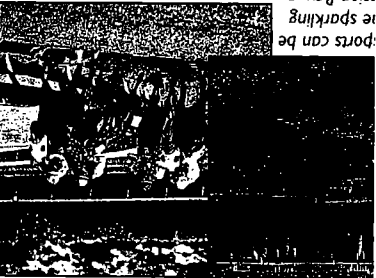
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45.8	47.8	50.1	53.8	57.2	59.9	63.9
Temperatures in Fahrenheit, high and low						
Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
75.3	77.3	76.5	73.8	70.1	66.1	63.9
65.4	63.2	58.4	51.5	47.2		

San Diego will put few demands on your wardrobe. Days are frequently quite warm, even in winter, so have shorts and swimwear handy. Evenings are pleasantly cool, even in summer, so be sure to bring a sweater or jacket. A few restaurants require coats and ties for gentlemen, but most welcome casual attire.

What To Wear

San Diego's Sports Capital

A variety of options awaits the avid sports enthusiast. San Diegoans' pleasant and sunny year-round climate, San Diegans' time outside. You'll know why when you see the golf courses, countless tennis courts, and miles of hiking and biking trails. San Diego's water attractions include surfing, water skiing, diving, snorkeling, deep sea fishing, water skiing, and on the beach. San Diego's can take in professional, college and amateur NFL football, major league baseball, indoor soccer, championship golf and thoroughbred horse racing. The RCO Olympic Training Center in the South Bay is one of the nation's first year-round, multi-sport centers for Olympic athletes.



Tennis can be enjoyed on hundreds of private and public courts throughout the county.



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Climate

If meteorologists can agree on one thing, it's our near perfect climate. But San Diego's real beauty comes from the endless variety of activities, attractions and experiences — starting with seventy miles of Pacific Ocean beach, sparkling bays, several majestic mountain ranges, a breathtaking desert and an international border — all within one spectacular county.

Arts and Attractions

Immerse yourself in SeaWorld San Diego, the World-Famous San Diego Zoo®, the San Diego Wild Animal Park and the exciting new LEGOLAND California. Explore historic Old Town, where California began. Or browse through dozens of museums with exhibits ranging from fine art and natural history to aircraft and sports memorabilia. See a play. Hear an opera. Or let both senses be swept away by the ballet.

Shopping, Dining and Sightseeing

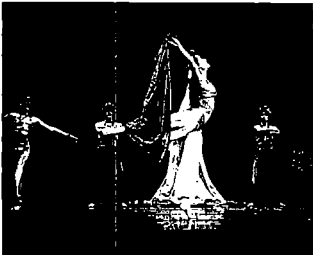
Downtown is an exciting showcase of department stores, specialty shops, hotels, restaurants, galleries and theaters. The historic Gaslamp Quarter boasts turn-of-the-century elegance, while the modern Horton Plaza contains more than 150 stores. Along the harbor, our waterfront theme village keeps growing as more cruise ships pull into port. Shopping opportunities from state-of-the-art shopping centers throughout the county to upscale brand-name outlet malls, specialty stores, chic boutiques and galleries await the visitor.

San Diego is a delicious surprise for visitors, with rich and savory aromas of cuisines — from Afghani to Vietnamese — to be found in more than 2,500 restaurants located throughout the county.

Sightseeing can be enjoyed on bay cruises, water taxis and popular ferry rides to Coronado or you can sit back and relax on luxury buses, trolley tours, or a carriage ride. Have an adventure on a bicycle or take to the skies in an airplane or hot air balloon. And a visit south of the border to Mexico is only minutes away.



San Diego's regional theatres premier many productions bound for New York stages.



A diverse menu of dance performances can be enjoyed through San Diego's cultural arts community.



The San Diego Opera presents opera world's most famous productions.



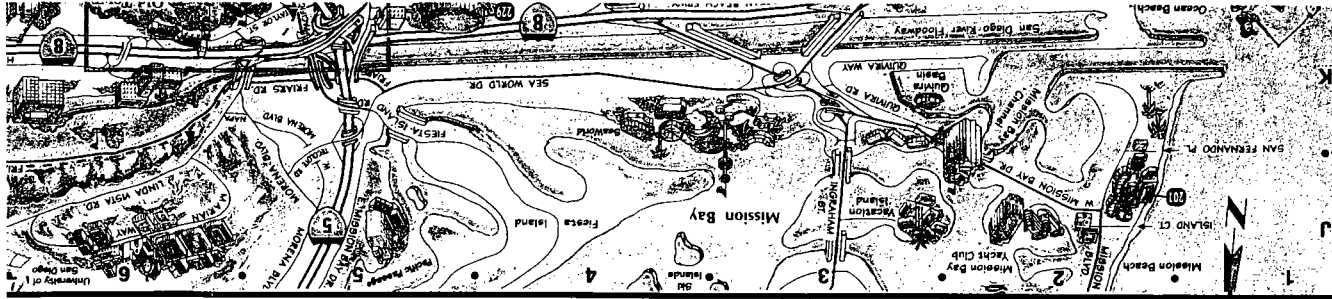
Balboa Park is a lushly landscaped oasis in the heart of San Diego, where interests from art, music and theatre to history, sport science can be entertained in the 14 museums housed there in some of the most beautiful architecture ever assembled in one

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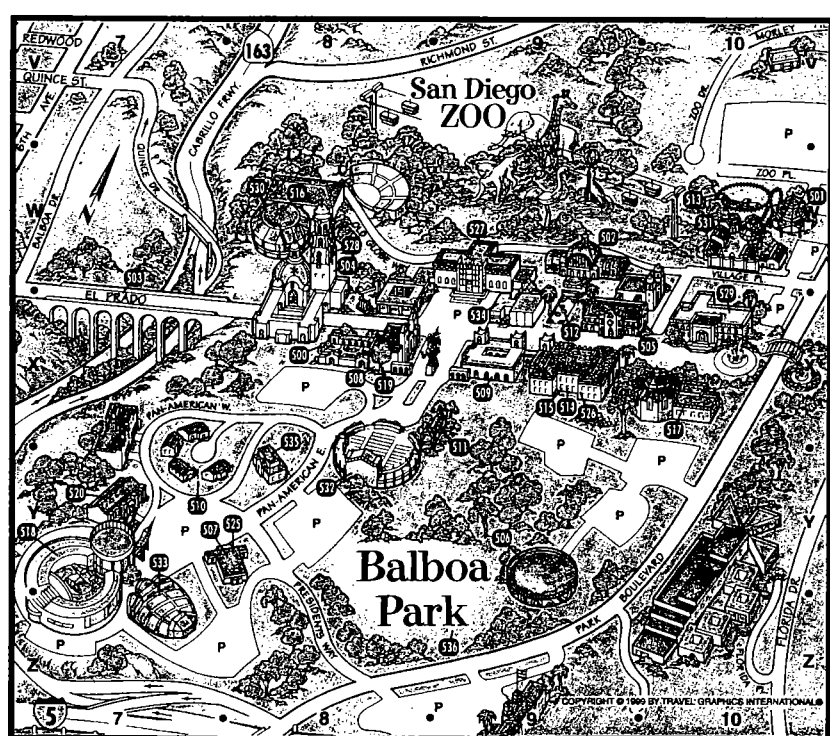
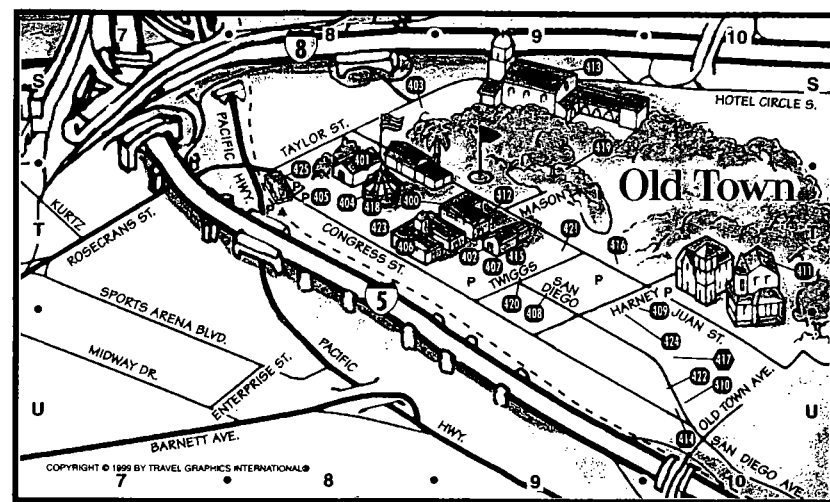
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