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SEMPRA ENERGY FOUNDATION PRESENTS
KIDS KORPS USA GREEN KORPS™ & ECO BALL 2009
Nonprofit Promotes Eco-Volunteerism Among Youth

SAN DIEGO, CA – December 18, 2008 - Sempra Energy Foundation is the Presenting Partner of Kids Korps ECO Ball 2009 and Green Korps™ environmental initiative. Sempra joined Kids Korps in underwriting the launch of Green Korps™ in 2007 combining volunteer members, local communities and environmental service partners in the restoration and protection of our region's environmental resources.

"Support from the Sempra Energy Foundation for ECO Ball and Green Korps™ will impact our future by engaging youth in environmental stewardship today...this is a significant investment in our community and volunteer members," stated Brian Hawkins, Kids Korps National Board member. Kids Korps and Sempra are creating a community-wide partnership that harnesses the time and talent of thousands of youth in protecting vital natural resources, rehabilitating natural habitats, and instilling a value for, and commitment to, the environment.

"Sempra Energy is pleased to support Kids Korps' Green Korps™ participants who are able to learn and serve beginning with conservation at school, home, and throughout the community. Youth volunteers form a force of influence and action that can impact the entire community when given the tools and reasoning behind environmental conservation and preservation," stated Kelly Prasser, Community Relations Manager for Sempra Energies' Global companies.

Giving & Growing Green

Through Green Korps™, Kids Korps volunteers and partners support more than 300 environmental service projects annually, serving organizations including; *Audubon Society, I Love A Clean San Diego, People For Trees, SurfRider Foundation, San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy, Torrey Pines State Reserve, Tijuana River National Estuarine Research Reserve (TRNERR), Sierra Club San Diego Canyons Campaign, Santa Ysabel Reservation, San Diego River Park Foundation, Friends of Ruffin Canyon, San Diego Coast Keeper, and the California State Lifeguards - Torrey Pines.*

About ECO Ball 2009 ... A Celebration Where Party & Planet Meet

Kids Korps' "ECO Ball Presented by Sempra Energy Foundation" will be held on February 7, 2009 at Irwin M. Jacobs Qualcomm Hall. This chic, delicious and eco-friendly celebration presented by Sempra Energy Foundation will feature our special guest, Millard Fuller, Founder of Habitat for Humanity International, and Founder & CEO of the Fuller Center for Housing. Widely considered one of the most influential people in the 20th century, Millard has been a "green, affordable, and local" builder from day one.

The event will also feature a salute to Kids Korps National Leadership Award recipients for 2009, The Hug Family, proprietors of Mille Fleurs & Mr. A's by Bertrand, in recognition for their years of support of Kids Korps. Of course, this year's lead-up to the event will include Kids Korps' annual wine party at Mille Fleurs featuring a selection of organic wines in keeping with the green theme.

Civic Chair: Pam Slater-Price, San Diego County Supervisor
ECO Ball Chair: Marie Tahan Daniels
Honorary Chair: Bettie Youngs
Wine Auction Chair: Bertrand Hug

ECO Ball Honorary Committee: Kelly Prasser, Russell Wolfe, Marla Martenson, Kenton Hems, Rich Geisler, Jennifer L. Youngs, Christopher Scott, Betty Blair, Kenton Hems, Steven Bugiel, Ryan Miiller, Charles Schwab, James Whalen, Angela Geisler, Diana Hoppe, MD, Bruce Ruff.

From event conception, to evening farewell, ECO Ball 2009 will feature unique ecologically conscious touches from organic liquors and wines, cold-water washed linens, and food and flowers from local growers. Following a delectable organically inspired meal, the live auction will feature a selection of green home and garden products and travel options. The evening will be "wrapped up" for the needy with unconsumed food packaged and taken to a local homeless shelter, feeding those in need while reducing waste from the event. ECO Ball 2009 tickets range between \$250 and \$1,000 each, with a 20% for those who book before December 31st,2008! Sponsorships are also available from \$2,500 to \$100,000. Kids Korps care of McFarlane Promotions at 619.233.5008 or ciara@mcfarlanepromotions.com.

About Kids Korps USA

Kids Korps USA is a national non-profit youth volunteer organization that engages young people, ages 5-18, in community service. Our mission is to instill in America's youth the spirit of giving while providing valuable education in leadership and responsibility. Our vision is to develop leaders for life through youth volunteerism. To that end, Kids Korps partners with more than 250 nonprofit service agencies throughout San Diego County, involving more than 5,000 youth members and their families in more than 1,200 service projects annually.