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Hydrogen Conference & Expo Coming to Long Beach, May 3 – 6

The National Hydrogen Association (NHA) will hold the 21st annual NHA Hydrogen Conference & Expo this year in Long Beach, CA, from May 3 – 6, 2010 at the Long Beach Convention Center.

The NHA Hydrogen Conference & Expo, themed “green energy, green jobs, green planet,” is the largest hydrogen conference in the U.S. and the longest running annual hydrogen energy conference in the world.

“We are delighted to be back in Long Beach, California,” said Jeff Serfass, president of the NHA. “California is a major center for the development of hydrogen and renewable energy technologies, not only in the U.S., but also in the world. This will be the perfect venue to highlight the latest achievements of the industry and announce plans for what progress will come next.”

The event focuses on breakthroughs, progress on commercialization and networking among the brightest minds and business leaders in the industry. Based on 2009 participation, the 2010 event is expected to attract more than 1,500 attendees and feature more than 150 expert speakers. The exhibition will feature about 100 exhibitors showcasing the latest developments in fuel cells, hydrogen energy technology, and applications such as fuel cell powered vehicles, refueling infrastructure and many other hydrogen using or generating technologies.

Each year, the NHA Hydrogen Conference & Expo attracts attendees from virtually every segment of the hydrogen and fuel cell industry, as well as related industries who may be hydrogen technology customers, state and federal governments, researchers and more. Representatives are expected to travel from more than 20 nations, including Germany, Japan, and China, who have major national programs to produce and use hydrogen.

“We are excited this year to again include the popular Ride and Drive managed by the California Fuel Cell Partnership,” Serfass said. During the Ride and Drive, leading auto manufacturers will provide up to 20 vehicles in which attendees may ride or test drive.

A second attraction will be an educational forum for end users on hydrogen energy and fuel cell applications. The Forum is titled, “Hydrogen and Fuel Cell (HFC) Basics: Solutions to Power Your Business.” The Forum will be held on Monday, May 3.

The Forum is intended to provide information about the benefits and cost savings of using hydrogen energy and fuel cell solutions in applications related to:

- Materials Handling
- Back-up Power
- Cell Phone and Other Communication Towers
- Power (Small Fuel Cells) for Military and Personal Applications

Major session topics at this year’s Conference include:

- Using & Storing Hydrogen from Renewables
- International Programs
- Education & Outreach
- Safety Codes and Standards
- Storage: Chemical & Metal Hydrides
- Infrastructure Analysis
- Production: Electrolysis R&D Results
- Military Applications
- Fuel Cell R&D Results
- Storage: General
- Delivery and Refueling
- Infrastructure Design

- Production: Biomass
- Transportation
- Investing in Hydrogen Technology

To register online for the 2010 NHA Hydrogen Conference & Expo, please visit www.hydrogenconference.org or call the National Hydrogen Association at 202-223-5547.