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## CALIFORNIA CLIMATE ACTION REGISTRY TO PLAY KEY ROLE IN IMPLEMENTATION OF LANDMARK GLOBAL WARMING BILL

MALIBU, CA – September 27, 2006 – The California Climate Action Registry applauded Governor Schwarzenegger today with his signing of historic global warming legislation. The Registry, established through previous legislation, will serve as a critical resource in the state's battle against global warming. The Registry is a non-profit public/private partnership that serves as a voluntary greenhouse gas (GHG) registry to protect, encourage, and promote early actions to reduce GHG emissions.

"The state is taking a bold step today with the signing of AB 32. The work done by the Registry over the past five years collaborating with other states and nations to build a common currency for measuring and reporting GHG emissions has helped bring us to this point. We are looking forward to working with the California Air Resources Board, other state agencies, and our 90 member organizations to assist in the successful implementation of AB 32," said President Diane Wittenberg.

The Registry's 90 member organizations represent nearly all electric power companies in the state and such household names as Kaiser Permanente, Eastman Kodak, Xerox, Natural Resources Defense Council, BP America, Union of Concerned Scientists, Shell Oil, the cities of Los Angeles and San Francisco, and Hewlett-Packard.

The Registry's members have already reported 200 million metric tons of GHG emissions through the Registry, roughly equivalent to the annual emissions of Turkey. Measuring and reporting is a critical first step in efforts to reduce GHG emissions. The Registry is widely recognized around the world as a gold standard for GHG accounting and monitoring.

For more information about the California Climate Action Registry's role with AB 32 or to arrange an interview with Registry President Diane Wittenberg, please contact Joel Levin at 213-925-1364 (<u>ilevin@climateregistry.org</u>) or Nancy Whalen at 213-891-1444 (<u>nwhalen@climateregistry.org</u>). For more information, visit <u>www.climateregistry.org</u>.

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