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Subject: **4th International Renewable Energy Conference
scheduled to be held on 17-19 February, 2010 at New
Delhi/NCR.**

Ministry of New & Renewable Energy, Government of India is preparing to host the 4th International Renewable Energy Conference and a Trade show/ Exhibition in New Delhi/ NCR on February 17-19, 2010. This will be 4th global ministerial level Conference on Renewable Energy, following Bonn Renewables 2004, Beijing, 2005 and WIREC, 2008. The International Renewable Energy Conference consisting of a Ministerial Meeting, Business-to-Business and Business-to-Government meetings, side Events (Symposiums, Sectoral Seminars and Workshops etc.) and a Trade show/ Exhibition is being hosted by various Governments in their respective countries biannually since 2004.

2. The last International Renewable Energy Conference at Washington (WIREC' 2008), was hosted by US Government and attended by around 9,000 people from 125 countries including 103 Ministerial representatives. A trade show featuring exhibits from 246 organizations and 11 International country pavilions from 125 countries was also organized along with the Conference. During the Ministerial Meeting of the Conference, addressed by the then US President George W Bush, it was announced that India will host the next International Renewable Energy Conference in early 2010.

3. This Conference will be an open forum of multi stakeholders, i.e., the Governments, Civil Society, Private Industries, Non Governmental Organizations and Advocacy Groups and Media to discuss the public policies and showcase their programmes related to the Renewable Energy sector. The said Conference is proposed to be inaugurated by the Prime Minister or President of India and attended by various high level dignitaries including Union and State Governments Ministers and Officers.

4. The Event will be global in scope having the participation of senior most decision makers from the Government of participating countries, International Industry leaders, private project developers, PSUs, distribution and transmission companies, regulators, financial institutions, investors and lenders, consulting firms, equipment suppliers, environmental groups and various International players from around the world besides representatives

from other multilateral bodies and non-governmental organizations such as UNIDO, UNEP, REN21 etc.

5. While the Opening Plenary of the Conference and Reception are proposed to be held at Main Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, other Breakout Sessions in the form of Ministerial Meetings, Presentations /Workshops, Sectoral Meetings, Parallel Sessions and Side Events, which will include Closing Ceremony, Networking Meetings with Lunch for the delegates on all three days and one or more Social Evenings - Cultural Programmes with Dinners are proposed to be organized at India Expo Centre & Mart, 23-24 Knowledge Park-II, Greater Noida Expressway, Greater Noida, Distt. Gautam Budha Nagar, Uttar Pradesh.

6. A world-class Exhibition showcasing Renewable Energy equipments, products, technologies and issues relating to Climate change/ environment and the importance of the Renewable Energy for development, allowing the worldwide renewable energy industries to interact for business development, investment, technology transfer and setting up joint ventures, will be co-located with IREC, 2010 at India Expo Centre & Mart, Greater Noida (UP).

7. Going by the attendance in the past three Conferences, around 7,000 to 9,000 participants, including government delegations are expected from over 100 Countries. It is also estimated that over 400 companies from 30 countries would participate with 60% from overseas in trade exhibition covering a net exhibit area of 7,500 sq. mts. We also expect inclusive presentations by around 300 speakers out of which 50% could be the international speakers.

8. Keeping in view the size and profile of the Event and the massive preparations involved, necessary steps have already been taken by this Ministry to implement the proposal including booking of Venue, engagement of a Professional Conference Organizer to manage the event.

9. Many delegates, who had participated in the previous Conferences and their countries, would be keen to participate in this conference as an opportunity to see the opportunities available for investing and setting up joint ventures in Renewables in India. This event therefore is a litmus test for India to demonstrate its technological strengths and achievements made in Renewable Energy sector. The proposed Conference will be crucially important keeping the thousand of public officials around the world informed on the status of renewable energy technologies, costs, economics, markets, industry, projects, financing and public policy; and on the outlook ahead.

10. In order to present a well-knit show, to project India as investment destination for setting up projects and joint ventures/ manufacturing units for equipments / Renewables, to showcase prowess of India as Renewables' future hub of the world and to take benefit of your vast knowledge and expertise in

the RE sector, the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) cordially invites all Ministries/Departments in the Government of India, Apex chambers of the Commerce & Industry / Associations/ Sector specific Associations/ Organizations concerned and having interest in the development of various forms of Renewable Energy to participate and collaborate in organization of the proposed Conference and Exhibition by pooling in resources.

11. We shall also like to request all those bodies to consider re-scheduling the events already planned during August, 2009 to February, 2010 and postponing proposals in pipeline to organize events in RE Sector during the above period to sometime beyond February, 2010 in view of the upcoming mega event - IREC, 2010 - a Country's commitment to the International Community and instead of going piecemeal, fully participate in the same.

12. The Ministry would be shortly convening a brain storming Session with all stakeholders in the RE Sector shortly to discuss various issues involved in organization of the above event and the possibilities of each Organization/ Association contributing their resources and their participation.

13. Interested Apex Chambers of Commerce & Industry/ Associations/ Sectoral Associations/ Specialized Organizations, Non-Governmental Organizations etc. dealing with Renewable Energy Sector in India are requested to send a short brief containing detail of their organization, area of interest, their standing in the area and how they would like to contribute/ participate in organization of the above Conference and Exposition to this Ministry at the E-mail address: ss.madan@nic.in.