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**Lt. Governor John Garamendi to Address
Transforming Space Attendees
California's Chairman of the Commission on Economic Development to Speak on
California's Workforce**

SACRAMENTO – Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi will address the attendees of the Transforming Space 2007 Conference on November 8 in Los Angeles. He is expected to speak on workforce-related issues and will draw on his position as Chairman of the Commission on Economic Development (CED) during his comments.

The Lieutenant Governor's duties include roles dealing with higher education and economic development. His position as Chairman of the CED provides him with the responsibility for fostering economic growth in California. As such, he is responsible for helping to develop and implement strategies for attracting new business to the state, increasing state exports, creating new jobs, and stimulating industries statewide.

"The attendance of Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi at our conference reflects California's commitment to the retention and growth of our state's space enterprise community," stated Andrea Seastrand, Executive Director of the California Space Authority (CSA), a co-sponsor of the conference with the California Space Education and Workforce Institute (CSEWI). "We look forward to hearing his address and having the opportunity to work with him in his capacity as the Chairman of the Commission on Economic Development to ensure a stable foundation for entrepreneurship, workforce development and economic growth in California."

Lieutenant Governor Garamendi will make a keynote address at the Transforming Space 2007 conference on Thursday afternoon, November 8. His address will precede a panel discussion on Transforming the Workforce of the Future – a look at how industry, labor and non-profit leaders are addressing the growing loss of its experienced workforce through increased retirement rates.

A full biography of Lieutenant Governor Garamendi can be found at:
<http://www.ltg.ca.gov/biography/aboutjohn.asp>

For more information on Lieutenant Governor Garamendi's role at the Transforming Space 2007 conference and how to register for the event, visit:
<http://www.californiaspaceauthority.org/conference2007/index.html>

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