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Midwestern Governors Association Announces Energy Summit

Washington, D.C. - The Midwestern Governors Association announced today that it will hold a two-day meeting this fall to explore key energy strategies and policies for the region and its states. The MGA Energy Summit is the culmination of Wisconsin Gov. Jim Doyle's 2007 chairman's agenda. It will be held Nov. 14 and 15 in Milwaukee.

The theme of the summit is *Unveiling an Energy Security and Climate Stewardship Platform*. At the summit participants will take a comprehensive look at state energy policy in the Midwest, and issues such as energy efficiency, renewable electricity, advanced coal and carbon capture, biofuels development and climate stewardship will be addressed.

Along with Gov. Doyle, Minnesota Gov. Tim Pawlenty will serve as co-host of the summit. Gov. Pawlenty's initiative as chair of the National Governors Association is "Securing a Clean Energy Future."

Governors will participate in a roundtable discussion with energy leaders from the Midwestern region. Before leaving Milwaukee the governors will unveil and sign regional goals associated with the summit platform.

Interested parties can register for the summit at www.midwesterngovernors.org.

In addition to Doyle and Pawlenty, the current members of the Midwestern Governors Association are Gov. Rod Blagojevich (IL), Gov. Mitch Daniels (IN), Gov. Chet Culver (IA), Gov. Kathleen Sebelius (KS), Gov. Jennifer Granholm (MI), Gov. Matt Blunt, (MO), Gov. Dave Heineman (NE), Gov. John Hoeven (ND), Gov. Ted Strickland (OH), and Gov. Mike Rounds (SD).