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DOE's National Science Bowl[®] for Middle School Students Kicks Off Thursday

America's Future Scientists and Engineers Show What They Know

GOLDEN, CO – Teams representing 36 middle schools from 27 states will compete in the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) National Science Bowl[®] for Middle School Students at the Colorado School of Mines June 19 through June 22, 2008. DOE's National Science Bowl is the nation's largest academic competition of its kind and the only one sponsored by a federal agency.

Each participating team emerged from a regional tournament to earn an all-expense-paid trip to the national finals. This year, more than 6,500 students competed in regional middle school Science Bowl events. For more information please visit: <http://nationalsciencebowl.energy.gov>.

SCHEDULE FOR MEDIA

*Hydrogen Fuel Cell Model Car Challenge, sponsored by General Motors**

WHO: 36 Regional Champion Teams

WHEN: Friday, June 20, 2008

4:30 PM – 7:00 PM MDT

WHERE: Lockridge Arena
Colorado School of Mines
1600 Maple Street
Golden, CO 80401

*GM engineers will be on hand to assist teams

Competition Begins with Round Robin Matches

WHO: 36 Regional Champion Teams

WHEN: Saturday, June 21, 2008

9:00 AM – 2:30 PM MDT

WHERE: Berthoud and Alderson Halls
Colorado School of Mines

Double-Elimination Matches

WHO: 16 Regional Champion Teams

WHEN: Saturday, June 21, 2008

3:00 PM – 7:30 PM MDT

WHERE: Alderson Hall
Colorado School of Mines

Final Rounds

WHO: Three Regional Champion Teams

WHEN: Sunday, June 22, 2008

Championship Match: 8:45 AM – 10:15 AM MDT (Camera pre-set 8:00 AM)

WHERE: Friedhoff Center
Colorado School of Mines

Satellite Feed of Final Round Footage and Awards Ceremony

The awards will be presented after the championship round.

WHO: Three Regional Champion Teams

WHEN: Sunday, June 22, 2008

3:00 PM EDT

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