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SoCalGas, LADWP, Brookfield Residential and Tecogen Host Sustainability Open House at The Resort at Playa Vista

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 25, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- [Southern California Gas Co.](#) (SoCalGas), the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP), Brookfield Residential Southern California, and Tecogen® Inc. (NASDAQ: TGEN) will host a Sustainability Open House at The Resort at Playa Vista (The Resort) today from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at 12852 Runway Rd in Los Angeles. The event will highlight The Resort's newest resident activity clubhouse and its state-of-the-art energy efficient design.

At the Open House, SoCalGas and LADWP will also present the "Award of Excellence" to Randy Johnson, executive vice president of Brookfield for saving PVPAL, the Playa Vista Master Homeowner's association, more than \$20,000 annually through the use of natural gas, combined heat and power and solar photovoltaic technologies. The installed technologies include Tecogen's CM-75 Ultra Cogeneration Module. The Combined Heat and Power module's 75-kilowatt natural gas-powered engine provides about 40 percent of the community center's electricity and is fitted with Tecogen's patented Ultra technology which reduces harmful nitrogen oxides (NOx) and carbon monoxide (CO) emissions to near-zero levels. The waste heat from the Tecogen unit is then recovered and used to heat The Resort's pools and spas.

"The Resort's project is a wonderful example of what can happen when developers, builders and utilities work together," said Gillian Wright, vice president of customer services for SoCalGas. "As a result of our SoCalGas and LADWP partnership, we are very pleased to report that we will be delivering incentive checks valued at more than \$1 million combined to nine builders for participation in the California Advanced Homes Program. These represent more than 1,800 new 'green homes' within the Playa Vista Community."

"The Resort at Playa Vista serves as a model of what housing should look like in the future. When innovations like these become the standard, the City of Los Angeles will have surpassed its goal of 15 percent increased energy efficiency by 2020 and taken a major step toward a greener more sustainable future," said David Jacot, LADWP Director of Efficiency Solutions.

"We are incredibly excited to have partnered with SoCalGas, LADWP and Brookfield on this project," said Robert Panora, President and COO of Tecogen. "The Resort project at Playa Vista is our first in conjunction with Brookfield and we hope to work with them on their energy-efficiency initiatives again in the future."

About Southern California Gas Co.

[Southern California Gas Co.](#) has been delivering clean, safe and reliable natural gas to its

customers for more than 140 years. It is the nation's largest natural gas distribution utility, providing service to 21.4 million consumers connected through 5.9 million meters in more than 500 communities. The company's service territory encompasses approximately 20,000 square miles throughout central and Southern California, from Visalia to the Mexican border. Southern California Gas Co. is a regulated subsidiary of [Sempra Energy](#) (NYSE: SRE), a Fortune 500 energy services holding company based in San Diego.

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About LADWP

The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) is the nation's largest municipal utility, having provided reliable water and power to Los Angeles residents and businesses for over 100 years. LADWP's power system supplies more than 25 million megawatt-hours (MWh) of electricity a year for the City of Los Angeles' 1.4 million residential and business customers. LADWP's water system serves a population of 3.9 million people within 473 square miles by delivering 191 billion gallons of water annually to 674,000 residential and business water service connections.

About Tecogen

Tecogen manufactures, installs, and maintains high efficiency, ultra-clean combined heat and power products including natural gas engine-driven cogeneration, air conditioning systems, and high-efficiency water heaters for residential, commercial, recreational and industrial use. The company is known for cost efficient, environmentally friendly and reliable products for energy production that, through patented technology, nearly eliminate criteria pollutants and significantly reduce a building's carbon footprint. In business for over 20 years, Tecogen has shipped more than 2,300 units, supported by an established network of engineering, sales, and service personnel across the United States. For more information, please visit www.tecogen.com.

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About Brookfield Residential Southern California

Brookfield Residential Southern California (Los Angeles and San Diego) a division of Brookfield Residential, is committed to being more than a homebuilder. We strive to create the best places to call home. The Brookfield Residential Southern California (Los Angeles and San Diego) team has the passion, the expertise and the local knowledge to craft homes and neighborhoods that speak to homebuyers at every stage of life. We are an award-winning community developer, homebuilder and industry leader with an exceptional reputation for quality, design, and customer service.

Brookfield Residential Properties, Inc. is a leading North American land developer and homebuilder. We entitle and develop land to create master-planned communities and build and sell lots to third-party builders, as well as to our own homebuilding division. We also participate in select, strategic real estate opportunities, including infill projects, mixed-use developments and joint ventures.

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About Playa Vista

Playa Vista is a connected urban community on the Westside of Los Angeles between Marina del Rey and the Westchester Bluffs. Located on property once occupied by Howard Hughes' aircraft plant, runway and hangars, the land today is a walkable mix of new homes, creative offices, retail, year-round events and an extensive network of parks and open spaces. Playa Vista's next and final development area adds 2,600 for-sale and apartment homes, 200 independent/assisted-living homes, more office space, a second resident club and new parks and open space. Construction is nearing completion on Runway at Playa Vista, the community's mixed-use commercial and social center that includes an approx. 200,000-square-foot shopping center, apartments and office space. With 70 percent of the original community design designated as parks and open space, and with smart sustainable development throughout the community, Playa Vista is known as one of the most innovative and connected urban infill communities in the United States. The community is being developed by Brookfield Residential. Visit PlayaVista.com for more information.

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