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### LA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS PROVIDES DO-IT-YOURSELFERS WITH FREE USED MOTOR OIL RECYCLING CENTERS

**Alhambra, CA** – The Los Angeles County Department of Public Works has teamed up with Corporate Sponsors Jiffy Lube, Kragen Auto Parts, and KFWB News Radio to educate Do–It-Yourself auto mechanics about the importance of recycling Used Motor oil and oil filters. In addition to the education campaign, Public Works and its co-sponsors are providing KFWB "Team Blue" free used motor oil and oil filter recycling collections events throughout Los Angeles County.

"Team Blue" used motor oil collection events will be available at participating Jiffy Lube Centers and Kragen Auto Parts Stores. Recyclers that bring their used motor oil or oil filters to "Team Blue" events at Jiffy Lube will receive prizes and 25 percent off of their next oil change. Early arriving participants bringing used motor oil and oil filters to "Team Blue" events at Kragen Auto Parts will receive gift certificates, Kragen T-shirts, free oil filters, or other prizes while supplies last.

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According to the Environmental Protection Agency Used Oil Management Program, used motor oil is insoluble, persistent and can contain toxic chemicals and heavy metals. It's slow to degrade. It sticks to everything from beach sand to bird feathers. Used oil is a major source of oil contamination of waterways and can result in pollution of drinking water sources.

Public Works urges recyclers to take advantage of this program. The following is a list of participating Jiffy Lube and Kragen Auto Parts store locations and event dates. All events will occur between the hours of 12 p.m. and 2 p.m.

#### **Jiffy Lube**

- 9/28 Bellflower 10160 Alondra Blvd.
- 9/30 Hawthorne 12800 Hawthorne Blvd.
- 10/3 Los Angeles 11007 Santa Monica Blvd.
- 10/4 Los Angeles 16616 S. Vermont Ave.
- 10/5 Los Angeles 700 N. La Brea Ave.
- 10/6 Los Angeles 2157 W. Manchester Blvd.
- 10/7 Glendale 202 S. Glendale Ave.

#### **Kragen Auto Parts**

- 10/19 Long Beach 5151 Atlantic Ave.
- 10/20 La Crescenta 2605 Foothill Blvd.
- 10/22 Alhambra 800 E. Valley Blvd.
- 10/24 Alta Dena 737 E. Altadena Dr.
- 10/29 Arcadia 37 Las Tunas Dr.
- 11/3 Hacienda Heights 15840 E. Gale Ave.
- 11/10 Pasadena 1860 E. Colorado Blvd.
- 11/17 San Gabriel 965 E. Las Tunas Dr.
- 11/24 Burbank 677 N. Victoria Blvd.
- 11/25 Torrance 4900 190th St.

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