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MEDIA ADVISORY

2,300-mile Solar Car Race Coming to Barstow, Calif.

- What:** The American Solar Challenge (ASC), a 2,300-mile solar car race from Chicago to the Los Angeles area along historic Route 66, July 13-23. The American Solar Challenge is an educational event in which college teams and clubs compete to build and race solar-powered cars across the country. Twenty solar-powered cars from the U.S. and Canada are participating in the race. The car with the fastest cumulative time will win the Challenge, the longest solar car race in the world.
- When:** Solar cars will rest at the Barstow stage stop **July 21 and 22** and start the final stage of the race at 9 a.m. on **July 23**. The fastest cars could reach Barstow as early as 4 p.m. on July 21. The cars will leave in one-minute intervals in the order of the race standings.
- Where:** The stage stop is at **Barstow Community College**, 2700 Barstow Road.
- How:** Media are encouraged to cover the race at the stage stop location where racecar drivers and other team members will be available for interviews. Media team representatives and race officials also will be at the site. Daily race results, photos and other information will be posted at www.americansolarchallenge.org.

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The race is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy and its National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), BP Solar and EDS
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