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Governors of Western states and Trust Territories will join Vice President Rockefeller at a Public Forum on Domestic Policy in Los Angeles, December 9, It was announced today.

John G. Veneman, Counselor to the Vice President, said the following Governors would attend the one day Forum at the Convention Center:

- Gov. Daniel Evans of Washington
- Gov. Raul H. Castro of Arizona
- Lt. Gov. Lowell Thomas of Alaska
- Gov. George R. Ariyoshi of Hawaii
- Gov. Earl B. Ruth of American-Samoa
- Gov. Ricardo J. Bordallo of Guam
- High Commissioner Edward E. Johnson, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Saipan, Mariana Islands

The Los Angeles Forum will be the final of six Forums held across the Nation to hear testimony from expert witnesses and the general public. The statements made at the Forum will be considered by the Domestic Council in its review process leading to recommendations to President Ford.

Joining the Vice President will be Cabinet members and other Federal officials. The Los Angeles Forum encompasses Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, California, Nevada, Arizona, American-Samoa, Guam, and Hawaii.

Witnesses will present testimony in four major areas: economic recovery, natural resource development and the environment, community building and social programs.

The public is encouraged to attend with seats available on a first come, first served basis. Those attending may ask questions or make comments as time permits. The Forum will begin at 9:00 a.m..

Persons unable to appear at the Forum are requested to submit their views to the Vice President in care of the Chairman of the Federal Regional Council, 450 Golden Gate Avenue, Post Office Box 36098, San Francisco, California, 94102.