



## **Boys & Girls Clubs Combat Climate Change At Cool Globes Exhibit**

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### ***Contest for Chance to Win Trip to Cool Globes Europe Continues***

HOUSTON – Dec. 21, 2009 - Youngsters from Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Houston sketched out their vision of an ideal “green” world at Reliant Energy’s Cool Globes Kid Challenge at Discovery Green, learning how energy conservation can help combat climate change. The kids - about 100 of them - also participated in the energy efficiency scavenger hunt the company introduced to the public in November.

“Helping young people understand how they can save energy and protect the environment creates advocates for positive change and a more energy-efficient future,” said Reliant Energy President Jason Few. “Reliant Energy’s Cool Globes Kid Challenge empowers these young people to understand the power they have to make a difference even through simple, individual actions.”

The young visitors colored 12-foot tall globes to depict their ideal “green” world and had an opportunity to ice skate and tour the park.

As presenting sponsor of Cool Globes: Hot Ideas for a Cooler Planet, Reliant is supporting the Cool Globes message that simple solutions can affect climate change and launched the Cool Globes Challenge on Nov. 14.

The Cool Globes Challenge, which runs through Dec. 31, is a fun, light-hearted energy efficiency scavenger hunt at the exhibit to help educate consumers about easy steps they can take to help positively impact climate change. To participate, individuals walk through the exhibit with a Cool Globes clue card to identify 10 of the 50 artistically decorated, super-sized globes.

Those who correctly identify at least five of the globes will be entered in a drawing to win a trip to the 2010 European debut of Cool Globes in Geneva, Switzerland. Clue cards for the challenge can be picked up and submitted on site at Discovery Green’s Alkek Building.

Each globe at the exhibit is unique and has been created by local, national and international artists—and school children.

Each is five foot in diameter, seven-and-a-half feet tall and weighs 2,300 lbs. Reliant Energy’s globe, titled “Make a Change. Make a Difference,” was designed by artist Suzanne Sellers, who is a Houston native. Reliant Energy’s globe features bold colors and everyday household devices to remind us of the ways we use energy in our lives and easy ways to use less.

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