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## Chamber of Eco Commerce partners with OSBO to Offer Gulf Coast Recovery Assistance

October 26, 2012, Chamber of Eco Commerce (CEC), Atlanta, GA --- CEC announces a new strategic partnership with OSBO (Organization Supporting Business Owners), headquartered in Huntsville, Alabama. CEC's international network of Eco Commerce experts across continents, will share their expertise and perspective, to help solve problems and contribute to solutions across the Gulf Coast region.

The CEC joins the growing group of strategic alliances including Project Rebound, a non-profit organization assisting Gulf Coast residents with oil spill crisis-counseling and related issues, to offer a series of free Gulf Coast Recovery Webinars beginning fourth quarter 2012 and continuing through all of 2013.

The Webinars will feature a number of topics and subjects including Business Development, Financial Recovery, Going Green, Career Development, and Mental/Physical Health. Visitors can also learn about Disaster Preparedness & Recovery within every topic. The Webinars offer B2B (business to business) support to help with business recovery and deliver information for businesses to become more sustainable and offer much needed support in receiving access to funding for their companies.

"We realize that in order to provide quality information, services, support and business funding in a global marketplace, businesses must be able to collaborate effectively - connect and receive the information virtually. We were impressed by the business support services and programs offered by OSBO and are excited to be a partner with the Organization Supporting Business Owners and its partner agencies. The CEC will provide access to a collaboration and training platform including Eco Innovation and Commerce experts and expertise, as well as access to much needed funding resources for businesses to stimulate business growth and new jobs for the Gulf Coast region," said Minna LeVine, Founder and CEO of Chamber of Eco Commerce.

"Project Rebound continues to aide Alabama Gulf Coast residents who were severely impacted by the 2010 Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill while still recovering from Hurricane Katrina, Rita and most recently Isaac. We understand that people are busy and cannot always afford the luxury of taking time to attend or travel to a workshop or seminar. Also, the impact area covers five states and it would require several live events to deliver the resources needed not only for our Alabama region but to the entire business community. That is why we partnered with OSBO to offer a convenient way for people to leverage time and resources more effectively. Best of all, they can take advantage of a multitude of topics that will benefit their business, family and overall wellbeing," said Paige Rucker, State Director, Project Rebound.

"Convenience is the key in today's economy. We were excited to offer a free Webinar Series to Gulf Coast residents by way of sponsorships from local, regional and national and international businesses. There has already been a tremendous interest from speakers, service providers and sponsors to support our efforts in providing this much needed resource. All the Webinars will be archived so that they will be available on demand for those who cannot attend the live sessions. With the addition our newest partnership with the Chamber of Eco Commerce (CEC), we can offer a global perspective, funding and opportunity to boost economic growth and create new jobs. Our goal is to provide a rich media experience that mimics the look and feel of a personal meeting, while providing incredible resources that can help our Gulf Coast community effectively recover." Tana Torrano, Founder/CEO, OSBO.

For those interested in attending the upcoming Gulf Coast Recovery Webinars go to <a href="https://www.GulfCoastRecoverySeries.com">www.GulfCoastRecoverySeries.com</a>. Businesses and organizations interested in participating in future webinars should contact their local CEC Chapter Leader or Tana Torrano at 1-855-OSBO-ORG or email <a href="mailto:osbollc@gmail.com">osbollc@gmail.com</a>

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## **OSBO** (Organization Supporting Business Owners)

Founded in 2002, OSBO is a virtual business resource center providing business owners with access to volume discount buying power, virtual training programs, and health benefits programs for their company and employees. Business owners can access the training and benefits online and can participate in the live webinar training or access the training archives if they are not able to participate live. OSBO offers busy executives a way to grow their business, train their team, save money on necessary business products and services and have corporate level benefits to offer their employees, without ever having to leave their business. The resources are available 24/7 through the OSBO website.

OSBO offers businesses, from startup to corporate, opportunities to share resources, promote their products and services, collaborate, and offer professional and personal development for their employees. Because the resources are offered virtually, the programs are also a benefit for the sustainability initiatives of companies and can significantly offsets the carbon footprint of a business by being paperless and virtual. For more information visit <a href="https://www.osbo.org">www.osbo.org</a> or call Tana Torrano, Founder/CEO at 855-OSBO ORG (855-672-6674) or email at <a href="mailto:tana@osbo.org">tana@osbo.org</a>.

## **Project Rebound**

Project Rebound is a nonprofit organization funded by a \$12 million dollar grant from BP to the State Mental Health Department. The organization is designed to assist in coastal recovery as a result of the 2010 Deep Water Horizon/BP oil spill. If someone needs assistance whether it be financial, emotional or deeply personal Project Rebound is here to help. Counselors are available 24/7 by calling 1-800-639-REBOUND (7326) or by visiting the Project Rebound website at <a href="https://www.ProjectRebound.org">www.ProjectRebound.org</a>. Project Rebound teams are also trained to help survivors of the April 2011 tornadoes that have been displaced and may be living in Baldwin or Mobile counties.

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