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1- Alliance for Responsible Atmospheric Policy Sponsors March 27 Building Chiller Summit

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), is among the sponsors of a March 27 Executive Summit entitled, "Building Air Conditioning Investment: Save Money and Protect the Environment." ... "Participants will learn why and how investments in replacing CFC building chillers save money and are good for business and the environment," stated Stephen O. Andersen, U.S. EPA. "New chillers have a typical payback of three to five years and protect the climate and its fragile ozone layer," he said ... According to Andersen, "High level building owners and financial decision makers will discover that there is money to be earned by energy efficient investment. HVAC system designers will learn how efficiency can be packaged as profit and environmental protection for their customers." The Summit is being held as part of the 3-day Earth Technologies Forum. for more information visit <http://www.earthforum.com>

Full text @: http://biz.yahoo.com/prnews/020311/dcm047_1.html

Source: Yahoo Finance, Pr Newswire, 11 March 2002

2- Awareness Workshop on Ozone Depleting Substances (India)

Hyderabad - The Small Industries Service Institute (SISI), will conduct a one-day awareness workshop on ozone depleting substances (ODS) on March 22 at its premises at Balanagar. The main objective of the programme is to create awareness about the adverse impact of ODS on the eco-system. Experts from the ozone cell, ministry of environment and forests, Indian Institute of Chemical Technology (IICT) and SISI will participate.

Article @: http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/articleshow.asp?art_id=3007607&sType=1

Source: The Times of India, 07 March 2002

3- Ozone Layer will Thin Even as Holes Heal

A new study suggests that even as the ozone holes over the poles heal, ozone levels in mid-latitudes, where the majority of the world's population lives, are set to worsen later this century. And, unlike today, the ozone layer will be at its thinnest in late summer - at the height of the holiday season ... Until now, the main cause of the thinning ozone layer and seasonal ozone holes has been a build-up of chlorine and bromine compounds in the stratosphere. Thanks to the 1987 Montreal Protocol, emissions of these compounds are falling fast and the holes should be repaired by mid-century. Scientists assumed that the ozone layer away from the poles would recover at the same time. But a modelling analysis by the Australian research agency CSIRO casts doubt on this. Ian Plumb and colleagues calculate that rising emissions of another ozone-destroying chemical, nitrous oxide, will soon put the improvement into reverse in mid-latitudes. "Ozone will recover only partially towards pre-1980 levels, and will then decline," says Plumb...

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