



## FORMER U.S. VICE-PRESIDENT AL GORE TO SPEAK IN SASKATCHEWAN

**April 4, 2007**

Premier Lorne Calvert announced today that former U.S. vice-president Al Gore has accepted his invitation to deliver a keynote address in Regina on Monday, April 23, 2007.

"I am very pleased that former vice-president Gore is coming to Saskatchewan the day after Earth Day," Calvert said. "Throughout his career he has championed the environment. Al Gore has always been a person ahead of his time and Saskatchewan is honoured to welcome a leader of such stature and accomplishment to our province to discuss the climate crisis we are facing."

In February 2007 "An Inconvenient Truth" was awarded the Oscar for Best Documentary Feature. The film, released in May 2006, is the third highest grossing documentary of all time and offers a passionate and inspirational look at Gore's crusade to halt global warming by exposing the myths and misconceptions that surround it. Gore's critically acclaimed work seeks to examine the truth about what he calls our "planetary emergency" through this portrait of his travelling global warming show.

"As the former vice-president said as he accepted his Academy Award, climate change is moral issue, not just a political issue," Calvert added. "Having former vice-president Gore make his powerful presentation in Saskatchewan will raise awareness about the actions that we all have a responsibility to undertake to fight global warming."

Gore will speak at the Brandt Centre in Regina at 11 a.m. on April 23. The event tickets will go on sale on Saturday, April 7 at 10 a.m. local time through Ticketmaster outlets, and range in price from \$20 to \$75 plus applicable service charges. SaskTel is the presenting sponsor.

"SaskTel has recently developed a comprehensive environment strategy that we are in the process of implementing," SaskTel president and CEO Robert Watson said. "We are extremely pleased to be the presenting sponsor for former vice-president Al Gore's presentation."

SaskEnergy is sponsoring 250 tickets enabling Saskatchewan high school and university students to attend as part of their ongoing commitment to supporting environmental education. Teachers interested in sending a team from their school can find registration information online at SaskEnergy's web site at [www.saskenergy.com](http://www.saskenergy.com). All participating student teams will receive a complimentary DVD copy of "An Inconvenient Truth" so they can organize an educational event in their school or community.

### **About Al Gore**

Former U.S. vice-president Al Gore is chairman of Current TV. He also serves as chairman of Generation Investment Management, is a member of the Board of Directors of Apple Computer, Inc. and a Senior Advisor to Google, Inc.

Al Gore was first elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1976 and served four terms. He was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1984 and 1990, and was inaugurated as the 45th vice-president of the United States on January 20, 1993. During that time, Al Gore was a central member of President Clinton's economic team. He served as president of the Senate, a Cabinet member, a member of the National Security Council, and as the leader of a wide range of Administration initiatives.

Al Gore led the Clinton Administration's efforts to protect the global environment and authored a best selling book on the topic, *Earth in the Balance: Ecology and the Human Spirit* (1992).

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