THE HOME DEPOT HOSTS WATER CONSERVATION WORKSHOPS NATIONWIDE

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Company teaches do-it-yourself projects to help save water in arid West and elsewhere

ATLANTA, April 10, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- The Home Depot®, the world's largest home improvement retailer, today announced a nationwide effort to help educate and enable residents in drought-affected areas and elsewhere to conserve water inside and outside the home. On Saturday, April 26, The Home Depot will host Water Conservation Workshops at all 1,977 of its U.S. stores.

The announcement of the workshops is one of several measures the company is taking to assist homeowners, particularly in the West where many face water restrictions due to current dry conditions.

Workshop leaders will cover ten home improvement projects which help conserve the most water, such as converting to a dual-flush toilet, switching to EPA WaterSense® labeled showerheads and faucets, installing drip irrigation and rotary nozzle or dual spray sprinklers and more.

"At The Home Depot, we're committed to helping our customers solve everyday home improvement challenges, and for many, water conservation is one of those challenges," said Joe McFarland, president of the Western Division for The Home Depot. "We have the products and our associates have the know-how to help our customers identify water-saving solutions and implement them at home. These workshops help us to share that knowledge with our communities and inspire residents to take action."

"Conserving water is one of the most important things we can do for our communities, for our environment, and for our economy," said Nancy Stoner, EPA Acting Assistant Administrator for Water. "WaterSense labeled products provide efficiency without sacrificing performance and their use will help communities throughout the country preserve their water resources."

In addition to hosting Workshops, The Home Depot has adjusted its in-store environment for hundreds of stores in the West, creating unique signage and shifting inventory and displays to help make customers better aware of the various actions they can take to conserve water. In 2013, customers of The Home Depot saved 42.5 billion gallons of water through the purchase of WaterSense labeled products.

The national Water Conservation Workshops are free and will be held on Saturday, April 26 from 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. local time. Details and registration information is located at workshops.homedepot.com, where customers can find information on all other Home Depot workshops year-round, including DIY, Do-It-Herself (DIH) and Kids Workshops.

The Home Depot is the world's largest home improvement specialty retailer, with 2,263 retail stores in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, 10 Canadian provinces and Mexico. In fiscal 2013, The Home Depot had sales of $78.8 billion and earnings of $5.4 billion. The Company employs more than 300,000 associates. The Home Depot's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE: HD) and is included in the Dow Jones industrial average and Standard & Poor's 500 index.

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