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CALIFORNIA STATE AUDITOR TO BEGIN ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION AT WWW.WEDRAWTHELINES.CA.GOV

WHAT: Californians can now take matters into their own hands when it comes to drawing the new State Senate, Assembly and Board of Equalization district lines as the California State Auditor will open the application process for millions of Californians to join the first-ever Citizens Redistricting Commission (Commission) at www.WeDrawTheLines.ca.gov. The application process opens Dec. 15, 2009 and closes Feb. 12, 2010.

Prior to the passage of Proposition 11, the Voters FIRST Act, legislators drew the districts. Prop 11 transfers the power to draw the lines to this new, independent Commission, which will be comprised of 14 citizens from throughout California. The Commission will redraw the district lines after the federal government publishes updated census information. The Web site, www.WeDrawTheLines.ca.gov, is the official site for all information pertaining to California's first Citizens Redistricting Commission. WeDrawTheLines.ca.gov will be updated regularly to provide visitors with the most current and accurate information about the Commission. And internet access at home is not necessary to access the Web site. California public libraries provide easy access to the Web site at no cost.

WHO: California State Auditor Elaine M. Howle and invited guests, including: NAACP, California Chamber of Commerce, California Young Democrats and Sacramento Metropolitan Young Republicans

WHERE: Office of the California State Auditor
5th Floor
555 Capitol Mall
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WHEN: Tuesday, December 15, 2009
9:30 a.m.

California State Auditor Elaine M. Howle and representatives from the California State Auditor's office will be available for

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interviews to discuss the application process. Follow us on Twitter at @WeDrawTheLines and tag your related tweets with #WeDrawTheLines. For more information on the Citizens Redistricting Commission, please visit WeDrawTheLines.ca.gov

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