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The symposium will be held in the University of Denver's Sturm College of Law, with events scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on March 4, 2009. Breakfast and lunch will be provided, and CLE credits will be available for purchase. For more information, please visit www.law.du.edu/waterlawreview or contact the symposium organizers at symposium@law.du.edu.
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