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**Secretary LaJuana Wilcher Named Keynote Speaker for 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Annual Kentucky Environmental Conference**

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (Feb. 3, 2004)** –The Kentucky Chamber of Commerce announced today that Secretary LaJuana S. Wilcher of the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet will give the keynote address during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Kentucky Environmental Conference on Feb. 17. Secretary Wilcher will discuss the environmental agenda of the new administration and anticipated environmental issues for the 2004 legislative session.

The conference will be held Tuesday, Feb. 17-18 at Marriott's Griffin Gate Resort in Lexington. For more information or to register, contact Connie Curran at 502-695-4700, x3026 or [ccurran@kychamber.com](mailto:ccurran@kychamber.com). Information is also available at [www.kychamber.com](http://www.kychamber.com).

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From its beginnings in 1946 as a bipartisan presence at the state Capitol, the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce has evolved into the premier business association in the state. Today the Chamber represents nearly 7,000 diverse businesses ¾ from Fortune 500 companies to family owned shops ¾ that share a strong interest in investing in the state's economic future. More than 50 percent of Kentucky's private workforce benefits from the services offered through Chamber membership: year-round lobbying, timely communications on business issues, publications and seminars on key regulations and policies, and a variety of other member benefits.*