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Governor Bill Richardson to participate in coin toss at Emerald Bowl

SANTA FE - New Mexico Governor Bill Richardson and Navy Secretary Gordon England will participate in the coin-toss ceremony prior to the kick-off for Thursday's game in San Francisco.

Governor Richardson will be in San Francisco to support the University of New Mexico Lobos as they play the Navy Midshipmen in the Emerald Bowl on Thursday, December 30, 2004.

Governor Richardson will also be cheering on the Lobos for the chance to win a case of traditional Navy Bean Soup from a friendly wager placed between the Governor and Secretary England. Governor Richardson bet a case of New Mexico salsa from Sadie's Dining Room in Albuquerque, while Secretary England offered a case of traditional Navy Bean Soup as a wager.

"This year belongs to the Lobos and Coach Rocky Long," Governor Richardson said. "I'm confident of a Lobos win, and I'm backing that confidence up with a friendly wager of New Mexico salsa."

Secretary England was in Albuquerque earlier this month, along with Governor Richardson, to announce the naming of the newest Naval submarine after the State of New Mexico. Looking forward to a Navy win in the Emerald Bowl, Secretary England said he, his staff and the Midshipmen, "look forward to eating some good New Mexico salsa."