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Federal-State Joint Conference on Advanced Services Field Hearing in Lowell, Massachusetts

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The Federal-State Joint Conference on Advanced Telecommunications Services (Joint Conference) will hold a field hearing on May 22, 2000, from 11:00 am to 4:30 pm at the Middlesex Community College, in Lowell Massachusetts.

This hearing is one in a series of hearings being hosted by of the Joint Conference to gather information on the deployment of advanced telecommunications services. At this field hearing, the Joint Conference will focus on data gathering initiatives, public/private partnerships, and broadband deployment in rural areas.

The agenda is as follows:

11:00 - 11:25 Welcoming Remarks

FCC Commissioner Michael K. Powell
Texas PUC Commissioner Brett A. Perlman
Senator Edward M. Kennedy
Senator John F. Kerry
Congressman Martin T. Meehan
Massachusetts Governor Argeo Paul Cellucci

11:30-12:45 Panel Presentation I – Data Gathering Initiatives

Moderation: Dr. David Gabel –Queens College

Speakers:

Dr. William Lehr – Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Dr. Victor Glass – National Exchange Carriers Association
Todd Jacobs – Sanford C. Bernstein & Co.
Dr. Guoroy Cai - Pennsylvania State University

12:45 - 1:30 Lunch Break

1:30 - 2:45 Panel Presentation II – Public/Private Partnerships

Moderator: Massachusetts Commissioner Paul Vasington

Speakers:

Joseph Alviani – Massachusetts Technological Collaborative

Jim Doyle – (Maine Governor’s Office) on ATM Networking

Eugene Curry – Cape Cod Technology Counsel

Chuck Podesta - Berkshire Medical Center

Ray Campbell - Massachusetts Corporation for Educational Telecommunications

2:45 – 3:00 Break

3:00 – 4:15 Panel Presentation III – Rural Success Stories and Challenges

Moderator: Connecticut Commissioner Jack Goldberg

Speakers:

Roderick Anstey – Oxford Telecom MMDS Trial

Christa Proper – Richmond Telecom

Debra Martinez – New York Consumer Protection Board

Dr. David Bonner – Adirondack Project

Dr. Ken Gordon - National Economic Research Associates

Michel Guite – Vermont Telephone

4:30 Hearing Adjourns

Transcripts of this meeting, as well as updates on future field hearings, will be posted on the Joint Conference’s web site: www.fcc.gov/jointconference.

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