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## FCC *EN BANC* HEARING AND CONFERENCE ON OVERCOMING BARRIERS TO COMMUNICATIONS FINANCING

### Networking Opportunities Will Be Available to Conference Participants

The Federal Communications Commission will hold an *En Banc* hearing and conference at the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture in the Langston Hughes Auditorium on Tuesday, July 29, 2008. The *En Banc* hearing will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., followed by a networking breakout session. The Schomburg Center is located at 515 Malcolm X Boulevard (at 135<sup>th</sup> Street), New York, NY 10037. The hearing will be moderated by CNBC financial anchor, Erin Burnett.

The purpose of the hearing and subsequent conference is to enhance the knowledge of the Commission and attendees about: (i) the present state of capital markets as those markets impact ownership diversity in the media and telecom industries and, particularly, the success of minorities and women entrepreneurs; (ii) how financing is secured for new, diverse, resource-limited ventures, focusing on actual problems encountered by women and minorities attempting to secure financing for media and telecom deals; and (iii) potential ways the Commission can help facilitate financing opportunities for minorities and women.

The hearing will include introductory remarks by Martin L. King, Chairman of the Rainbow PUSH Coalition and presentations on the state of capital markets by Mark Fratrick, Vice President, BIA Financial Network and the elements associated with completing a financing deal by Susan Patrick, Co-owner, Managing Partner, Patrick Communications. The panels with participation by expert representatives will include the following.

### **Panel 1: *Successfully Securing Equity Financing***

**Raul Alarcon**, Chief Executive Officer, Spanish Broadcasting System

**Percy Berger**, Managing Partner, Dempster Group

**Pastor Delman Coates**, Enough Is Enough Campaign for Corp. Responsibility in Entertainment

**James Fleming, Jr.**, Partner, Columbia Capital

**Ronald Gordon**, President & CEO, ZGS Communications

**Anita Stephens Graham**, Partner, Opportunity Capital Partners

**Reginald Hollinger**, Managing Partner, Quetzal/JPMorgan Partners

**Terry L. Jones**, Managing General Partner, Syncom Funds

**Brian Rich**, Managing Partner, Catalyst Investors

**Andy Schwartzman**, President & CEO, Media Access Project

**Diane Sutter**, President & CEO, ShootingStar Broadcasting

**Frank Washington**, Chairman & CEO, Tower of Babel LLC

## **Panel II: *Successfully Securing Loans***

**Charles J. Dreifus**, Managing Director, CIT Communications, Media & Entertainment

**Leo Hindery, Jr.**, Managing Partner, InterMedia Partners

**George Ivie**, CEO & Executive Director, Media Ratings Council

**William Lisecky**, Managing Director, Oppenheimer & Co. Inc./Investment

**Chesley Maddox-Dorsey**, President & COO, Access.1 Communications Corp.

**Steve Morris**, Chairman, President, CEO, Arbitron

**Susan Patrick**, Co-owner, Managing Partner, Patrick Communications

**Michael V. Roberts, JD**, Chairman & CEO, The Roberts Companies

**John Stevens Robling, Jr.**, Managing Director, LIATI Capital

**Mayela Rosales**, Executive Vice President of Azteca America, SWFL

**Charles Warfield**, President, Inner City Broadcasting Corporation

**James Winston**, Executive Director, National Association of Black-Owned Broadcasters

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