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FCC ANNOUNCES AGENDA FOR VIDEO PROGRAMMING ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VPAAC) SCHEDULED FOR MAY 5, 2011 AT FCC HEADQUARTERS

By this Public Notice, the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC” or “Commission”), announces that the FCC’s Video Programming Accessibility Advisory Committee (“VPAAC”) will meet on Thursday, May 5, 2011, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room at FCC Headquarters, located at 445 12th Street, SW, Room TW-C305, Washington, DC 20554.

The purpose of the VPAAC is to develop recommendations on closed captioning of Internet programming previously captioned on television; the compatibility between video programming delivered using Internet protocol and devices capable of receiving and displaying such programming in order to facilitate access to captioning, video description and emergency information; the provision of video description and accessible emergency information on television programming; accessible user interfaces on video programming devices; and accessible programming guides and menus.

At the upcoming May 5th meeting, members of the various Working Groups will work on issues that are the focus of each of their groups. Topics likely to be covered at this meeting include: IP captioning, video description, access to emergency information, and the user interface of equipment used to display programming. Near the conclusion of the meeting, each Working Group will be requested to report to the VPAAC on the status and timeline for developing recommendations for submission to the Commission on each of their issues.

Members of the general public may attend the meeting, and the FCC will attempt to accommodate as many attendees as possible; however, admittance will be limited to seating availability. The Commission will also provide audio and/or video coverage of the meeting held in the Commission Meeting Room over the Internet from the FCC’s web page at www.fcc.gov/live.

Open captioning and sign language interpreters will be provided for this event in the Commission Meeting Room. Requests for open captioning and sign language interpreters in rooms other than the Commission Meeting Room must be submitted (see below). Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Requests for such accommodations should be submitted via e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or by calling the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice), (202) 418-0432 (TTY). Such requests should include a detailed description of the accommodation needed. In addition, please include a way the FCC can contact the requester if more information is needed to fill the request. Please allow at least five days’ advance notice; last minute requests will be accepted, but may not be possible to accommodate.

Additional information regarding the VPAAC can be found at:
<http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/dro/VPAAC/>.

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Federal Communications Commission Video Programming Access Advisory Committee (VPAAC)

May 5, 2011, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Agenda

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| 9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. | Roll Call: VPAAC Members and Alternates and FCC Staff |
| 9:15 a.m. – 9:25 a.m. | Welcome and Greetings from Karen Peltz Strauss, Deputy Bureau Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau |
| 9:25 a.m. – 9:50 a.m. | Discussion of Working Group Agendas |
| 9:50 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Break and Re-Locate to Working Group Rooms |
| 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | Working Group Meetings |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Working Group 1: Commission Meeting Room• Working Group 2: Meeting and Tutorials, Room TW-C438• Working Group 3: You are encouraged to attend the WG1 and WG2 meetings. Rooms 4-B112 & 4-B142 (4th Floor North Conference Room) are also available for WG3 use.• Working Group 4: You are encouraged to attend the WG1 and WG2 meetings. Room 6-B516 (6th Floor South Conference Room) is also available for WG4 use. |
| 12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. | Lunch Break: Commission Meeting Room |
| 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. | Working Group Meetings |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Working Group 1: Commission Meeting Room• Working Group 2: You are encouraged to attend the WG1 and WG4 meetings. Room 6-B516 (6th Floor South Conference Room) is also available for WG2 use.• Working Group 3: You are encouraged to attend the WG1 and WG4 meetings. Rooms 4-B112 & 4-B142 (4th Floor North Conference Room) is also available for WG3 use. |

- Working Group 4: Room TW-C438

2:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. Break

2:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Working Group Meetings

- Working Group 1: Commission Meeting Room
- Working Group 2: You are encouraged to attend the WG1 and WG3 meetings. Room 6-B516 (6th Floor South Conference Room) is also available for WG2 use.
- Working Group 3: Room TW-C438
- Working Group 4: You are encouraged to attend the WG1 and WG3 meetings. Rooms 4-B112 & 4-B142 (4th Floor North Conference Room) is also available for WG4 use.

3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Afternoon Break and Re-Locate to the Commission Meeting Room

4:00 p.m. – 4:40 p.m. Working Group Reports to Full VPAAC (ten minutes each)

4:40 p.m. – 4:50 p.m. Audience Comment

4:50 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Review of Action Items; Next Steps

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