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FCC SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR TWO VACANCIES ON THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Nominations Due: January 12, 2015

By this Public Notice, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) solicits nominations to fill two vacancies on its Intergovernmental Advisory Committee (IAC). These vacancies were created by the electoral defeat of Governor Pat Quinn (D-IL) on November 4, 2014 and the appointment on September 18, 2014 of New Jersey Assemblyman Upendra J. Chivukula as a Commissioner on the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities. Nominations are due January 12, 2015.

The IAC, comprised of 15 representatives from local, state, and Tribal governments, advises the Commission on a range of communication issues for which their governments share responsibility or administration with the Commission.² On October 29, 2013 Chairman Wheeler reauthorized the IAC and on June 6, 2014 announced the members of the 2014-2016 Committee.³ The term of operations of the reauthorized IAC is two years, with an option for another two-year term.⁴ The current IAC term commenced with its first meeting on July 14, 2014 and will conclude in July 2016. ⁵

IAC MISSION

The mission of the IAC is to make recommendations to the Commission on communications issues affecting local, state and Tribal governments that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. These issues range from major Commission policy priorities such as implementation

¹ See 47 C.F.R. § 0.701(b).

 $^{^{2}}$ Id

³ See FCC Announces the Reauthorization of the Intergovernmental Advisory Committee and Seeks Nominations, Public Notice, 28 FCC Rcd 14749 (2013); Chairman Wheeler Announces Intergovernmental Advisory Committee Members, Public Notice, 29 FCC Rcd 5961 (2014) available at https://apps.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-14-784A1.pdf

⁴ 47 C.F.R. § 0.701(a).

⁵ *Id*.

of expanded broadband adoption and deployment, especially in unserved and underserved rural areas and Tribal lands, to improved public safety communications, facilities siting, universal service reform, and public rights-of-way.

IAC Membership

Pursuant to Section 0.701(b) of the Commission rules, the IAC shall include one elected state executive (governor or lieutenant governor) and three elected state legislators, or their respective designees. We are issuing this Public Notice for nominations to fill two vacancies in these membership categories. The vacancy for Governor Pat Quinn's position as the state executive member on the IAC will occur and be open for a replacement after Gov. Quinn leaves office in January 2015. The vacancy for former New Jersey Assemblyman Chivukula's position as a state legislator is open immediately for replacement.

A nominee must be willing to commit to serve for the full term that the IAC is authorized through July 2016 and should expect to attend four (4) meetings per year in Washington, D.C. at the applicant's own expense. Members who fail to "attend a minimum of fifty percent of the IAC's yearly meetings may be removed by the Chairman of the IAC for failure to comply with this requirement." Members will also have an initial and continuing obligation to disclose any interests in, or connections to, persons or entities who are, or will be, regulated by, or who have interests before, the Commission.

PROCEDURES AND DEADLINE FOR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Nominees for the IAC state executive and state legislator membership positions must submit their applications: (1) online via email; and/or (2) hardcopy via mail. Applications must be submitted no later than thirty-five (35) calendar days after the release date of this Public Notice. Applications submitted via email must be sent to iac@fcc.gov. Hardcopy applications submitted via mail must be addressed to:

Attn: Carmen Scanlon, Attorney Advisor Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

There is no particular format for the application; however, it must include the following information:

- Resume (including applicant's current position);
- Contact information (both email and mailing addresses, as well as telephone numbers); and
- A brief description of the applicant's area of expertise and qualifications to serve on the IAC, including the applicant's experience with telecommunications issues.

FINAL SELECTION

Once selected, the Commission will publish a Public Notice on its web site announcing the new appointments.

⁶ See 47 C.F.R. § 0.701(b).

⁷ 47 C.F.R. § 0.701(c).

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