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**FCC ANNOUNCES WORKSHOP ON TECHNOLOGY TRANSITIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

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Washington, D.C. – The Federal Communications Commission’s Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau announces a workshop on “Public Safety Imperatives for All-IP Networks.” The 1 ½ day workshop will be held on Thursday, April 17, 2014, and Friday, April 18, 2014.

The workshop will bring together representatives from public safety agencies and organizations, service providers, technology vendors, and other stakeholders to explore the impact of the technology transition on key public safety, emergency response, and national security functions. The workshop will seek to identify the conditions, rebuttable presumptions, and relevant factors that are needed to ensure that core public safety values are supported in the transition to an all IP-based infrastructure. The workshop will be comprised of four sessions that will focus on current public safety, emergency response and national security dependencies on legacy switched telecommunications infrastructure and challenges in four categories: (1) day-to-day public safety operations in an all-IP world; (2) disaster preparation and responses in an all-IP world; (3) additional risk factors from cyber exploits on commercial, public and government networks; and (4) the impact of technology transitions on national security and federal government systems. Participants will share their real world expertise and contribute their individual views and analysis as to how an all-IP-based infrastructure can support a range of public safety mission requirements. Participants will also discuss the public safety criteria that should be applied to the technology transitions. Additional workshop details will be released closer to the event.

The workshop will be free and open to the public and will be held in the Commission Meeting Room (TW-C305) at FCC Headquarters, located at 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554. Individuals interested in attending this event must pre-register on-line at <http://transition.fcc.gov/pshs/event-registration.html>, where they will be asked to provide their name, title, organization affiliation, and contact information. Individuals may also contact Deandrea Wilson at [Deandrea.Wilson@fcc.gov](mailto:Deandrea.Wilson@fcc.gov) or via phone at 202-418-0703 regarding pre-registration. The deadline for pre-registration is **Friday, April 11, 2014**.

The event will be shown live at [www.fcc.gov/live](http://www.fcc.gov/live). The audience will have an opportunity to ask questions. Those who watch the live video stream of the event may email event-related questions to [livequestions@fcc.gov](mailto:livequestions@fcc.gov%20\%20mailto:livequestions@fcc.gov). Depending on the volume of questions and time constraints, session moderators will work to respond to as many questions as possible during the workshop.

Open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities are available upon request. Individuals making such requests must include their contact information should FCC staff need to contact them for more information. Requests should be made as early as possible. Please send an e-mail to [fcc504@fcc.gov](mailto:fcc504@fcc.gov) or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty)

202-418-0432 (TTY). For additional information about the workshop, please contact Priya Shrinivasan, Associate Bureau Chief, Public Safety & Homeland Security Bureau at (202) 418-7005 or by email: [Priya.Shrinivasan@fcc.gov](mailto:Priya.Shrinivasan@fcc.gov). For media inquiries, please contact Rochelle Cohen at (202) 418-1162 or by email: [Rochelle.Cohen@fcc.gov](mailto:Rochelle.Cohen@fcc.gov).

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