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**FCC ANNOUNCES UPDATED AGENDA AND PANELISTS FOR**

**JULY 9 WORKSHOP ON INMATE CALLING SERVICES REFORM**

**WC Docket No. 12-375**

The updated agenda for the FCC’s July 9 workshop to analyze the impact of reforms and gather information to inform additional reforms of Inmate Calling Services (ICS) will include four panel discussions, as follows:

**Welcome & Remarks   
(9:30 – 10:00 AM): Remarks by Chairman Tom Wheeler, Commissioner Mignon Clyburn,**

**and Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel**

**Panel 1**

**(10:00 – 11:15 AM): Impact of Reform and Potential Need for Additional Reform –** This panel will address the impact of reforms since the 2013 *ICS Report and Order and FNPRM*, the benefits to consumers, and the potential need for additional FCC and/or state reforms.

Co-Moderators:

**Mr. Kalpak Gude**, Division Chief, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline

Competition Bureau

**Ms. Rhonda Lien**, Attorney, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition

Bureau

Panelists:

**Mr. Darrell A. Baker**, Director, Utility Services Division, Alabama Public Service Commission

**Ms. Cheryl A. Leanza**, Policy Advisor, United Church of Christ, OC Inc.

**Ms. Talila A. Lewis**, Founder, Helping Educate to Advance the Rights of the Deaf (HEARD)

**Mr. Jesse Wiese**, Policy Analyst, Justice Fellowship

**Ms. Karina Wilkinson**, Steering Committee Member, New Jersey Advocates for Immigrant Detainees

**Mr. Paul Wright**, Executive Director, Human Rights Defense Center

**Panel 2**

**(11:30 – 12:45 PM): Ancillary Charges** – This panel will discuss ancillary charges, the types, rates, whether new charges have occurred since the 2013 Order, and potential reforms to limit these charges.

Co-Moderators:

**Ms. Rhonda Lien**, Attorney, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau

**Mr. David Zesiger**, Senior Counsel, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau

Panelists:

**Mr. Darrell A. Baker**, Director, Utility Services Division, Alabama Public Service Commission

**Ms. Aleks Kajstura**, Legal Director, Prison Policy Initiative

**Mr. Lee G. Petro**, Of Counsel, Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP

**Mr. William L. Pope**, President, NCIC

**Mr. Vincent Townsend**, President, Pay Tel Communications, Inc.

**(12:45 – 2:00 PM): Lunch Break**

**Panel 3**

**(2:00 – 3:15 PM): Understanding the Provision of ICS in Different Facilities** – This panel will focus on understanding the primary cost drivers of providing ICS in different types of correctional facilities.

Co-Moderators:

**Ms. Lynne Engledow**, Assistant Division Chief, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau

**Mr. Kalpak Gude**, Division Chief, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau

**Mr. Darrell A. Baker**, Director, Utility Services Division, Alabama Public Service Commission

Panelists:

**Mr. Elias A. Diggins**, Division Chief, Denver Sheriff Department on behalf of the American Jail Association

**Mr. Alex Friedmann**, Managing Editor, Prison Legal News

**Mr. Kevin Landy**,Assistant Director, Office of Detention Policy and Planning, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security

**Mr. Lee G. Petro**, Of Counsel, Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP

**Mr. Richard "Rick" A. Smith**, CEO, Securus Technologies, Inc.

**Mr. Thomas Sweeney**, Senior Vice President - Sales, Global Tel\*Link

**Panel 4**

**(3:30 – 4:30 PM): New Technologies** – This panel will consider new and emerging forms of communications in correctional settings beyond the traditional wireline telephone call.

Co-Moderators:

**Ms. Lynne Engledow**, Assistant Division Chief, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau

**Mr. David Zesiger**, Senior Counsel, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau

Panelists:

**Mr. Brian F. Byrne**, Founder and Managing Partner, meshIP, LLC

**Mr. Jay L. Gainsboro**, Founder, JLG Technologies, LLC

**Mr. Grant Gongaware**, Chief Architect, Telmate, LLC

**Mr. Chris Moore**, Vice President - Product Management, Global Tel\*Link

**Closing Remarks**

**(4:30 PM): Mr. Kalpak Gude**, Division Chief, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau

Times listed above are tentative.

**Attendance** - This workshop is open to the public and will be held in the Commission meeting room, 445 12th St. SW, Washington, D.C. 20554. Attendees are advised to arrive approximately 30 minutes prior to the start of the workshop to allow time to go through our security process.

**Webcast/Questions** - To view a Webcast of the workshop, go to [www.fcc.gov/live](http://www.fcc.gov/live) on the day of the event. Viewers may submit questions by e-mail to [livequestions@fcc.gov](mailto:livequestions@fcc.gov).

**Website** - Updates to the workshop agenda will be available on the workshop’s Website at <http://www.fcc.gov/events/workshop-further-reform-inmate-calling-services>.

The FCC will attempt to accommodate as many attendees as possible; however, admittance will be limited to seating availability. The Commission will provide audio and/or video coverage of the meeting over the Internet from the FCC’s Web page at <http://www.fcc.gov/live>. Open captioning will be provided for this event. 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](mailto: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 and a way the FCC can contact you if it needs more information. Please make your request as early as possible; last-minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fulfill.

We also take this opportunity to remind the public that presentations to decision-making personnel that go to the merits of the Commission’s pending permit-but-disclose proceeding in *Rates for* *Interstate Inmate Calling Services*, WC Docket No. 12-375, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 28 FCC Rcd 14107 (2013) (*ICS Report and Order and FNPRM*), must comply with the Commission’s *ex parte* rules. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.1200 *et seq*. Interested parties are also invited to submit written *ex parte* presentations in this public docket.

Please note: all public remarks made at the workshop will be transcribed and entered into the record for this proceeding. Thus, it is not necessary for speakers making public remarks at the workshop to submit filings in compliance with the Commission’s ex parte rules.

For additional information about the workshop, please contact Gregory Haledjian of the Wireline Competition Bureau, at (202) 418-1520 or [gregory.haledjian@fcc.gov](mailto:gregory.haledjian@fcc.gov). For media inquiries, contact Mark Wigfield, (202) 418-0253, or <mark.wigfield@fcc.gov>.

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