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FCC ANNOUNCES INITIAL AGENDA FOR MAY 20 WORKSHOP ON E-RATE FUNDED FIBER BUILD PROJECTS

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The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) provides an agenda and panelist information for the Workshop on E-Rate Funded Fiber Build Projects scheduled for May 20, 2015 in the Commission Meeting Room (TW-C305), 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, DC, 20554. The Workshop will provide E-rate applicants, providers, and state and local policy makers with information and tools for planning fiber build projects under the new E-rate rules, with a focus on issues applicants need to consider in order to choose the most cost-effective option for deploying fiber.

AGENDA

1:00 pm – 1:15 pm	**Welcome and Opening Remarks**
	Lisa Hone, Associate Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, FCC

1:15 pm – 2:00 pm   **Panel 1: Overview of E-rate Fiber Rules**

The FCC's Managing Director will discuss the changes the FCC adopted to the E-rate rules in the Second E-rate Modernization Order to allow schools and libraries more options for applying for E-rate funding for fiber builds beginning in funding year 2016.

Discussants:

Jon Wilkins, Managing Director, FCC

Joe Freddoso, Co-Founder and Chief Operating Officer, Mighty River, LLC and former President and Chief Executive Officer of MCNC

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm   **Panel 2: Statewide and Regional Case Studies**

Presenters will provide brief summaries of their fiber build projects. The expert panelists will ask questions and help explore the lessons learned from past projects that will be relevant to E-rate applicants seeking E-rate funding for new fiber builds.

Moderator:

Jonathan Chambers, Chief, Office of Strategic Planning, FCC

Project Presenters:
- **Jeff Egly**, Associate Director, and **Ray Timothy**, CEO and Executive Director, Utah Education Network
- **Ken Wiggin**, Connecticut State Librarian
- **John Gillispie**, Executive Director, Missouri Research and Education Network

Experts:
- **Lorrie Germann**, Ohio State E-Rate Coordinator
- **Brent Fontana**, Strategic Project Group Lead, Zayo

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm	**Break**

3:15 pm – 4:15 pm   **Panel 3: School District and Local Case Studies**
Presenters will provide brief summaries of their fiber build projects. The expert panelists will ask questions and help explore the lessons learned from past projects that will be relevant to E-rate applicants seeking E-rate funding for new fiber builds.

Moderator:
Chas Eberle, Attorney Advisor, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, FCC

Project Presenters:
- **Andy Bryan**, Superintendent, Lee County Schools (NC); **Rocco DiSanto**, CEO, BroadPlex, LLC
- **Michael Moore**, Superintendent, and **Brad Skinner**, Technology Coordinator, Calhoun County School District (MS)
- **Russ Selken**, ITS Director, California K12HSN; Butte County Office of Education

Experts:
- **Sheryl Abshire**, CTO, Calcasieu Parish Public Schools
- **Greg Green**, President, FatBeam
- **Yasmin Narielvala**, Director of District Programs, EducationSuperHighway

4:15 pm – 4:55 pm   **Panel 4: Fiber Planning Tools**
Presenters will demonstrate mapping, data analysis, and cost modeling tools designed to assess bandwidth demand and evaluate the cost-effectiveness of fiber build options.

Moderator:
Sibo McNally, Attorney Advisor, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, FCC

Presenters:
- **Sarah Klein**, Administrator of the Division of Business & Communications Services, Wisconsin Public Service Commission
- **Matt Stark**, Support Services Manager, Genesee Intermediate School District (MI)

4:55 pm – 5:00 pm   <u>**Concluding Remarks**</u>

        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. Please include a description of the accommodation you will need and tell us how to contact you if we need more information. Make your request as early as possible. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill. Send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty).

Attendance - This Workshop is open to the public. All 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 - To view the webcast, go to www.fcc.gov/live on the day of the event. Viewers may submit questions by e-mail to livequestions@fcc.gov and/or via Twitter at #ErateFiber.

Website – Updates to the agenda, as well as panelist materials will be available on the workshop's website at https://www.fcc.gov/events/e-rate-fiber-build-workshop.

        For additional information about the workshop, please contact Charles Eberle at 202-418-2248 or Charles.Eberle@fcc.gov, or Sibo McNally at 202-418-1372 or Sibo.McNally@fcc.gov.

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