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**CONSUMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Announcement of date, TIME, and agenda of NEXT MEETING**

By this Public Notice, the Federal Communications Commission (“Commission”) announces the next meeting date, time, and agenda of its Consumer Advisory Committee (hereinafter “Committee”).

**Mission and Functions of the Committee**

The mission of the Committee is to make recommendations to the Commission regarding consumer issues within the jurisdiction of the Commission and to facilitate the participation of consumers (including underserved populations, such as Native Americans, persons living in rural areas, older persons, people with disabilities, and persons for whom English is not their primary language) in proceedings before the Commission. The Committee may consider issues including, but not limited to, the following topics:

* Consumer protection and education;
* Implementation of Commission rules and consumer participation in the FCC rulemaking process; and,
* The impact of new and emerging communication technologies (including availability and affordability of broadband service and Universal Service programs).

The duties of the Committee will include providing guidance to the Commission, to gather data and information, and to perform those analyses that are necessary to respond to the questions or matters before it.

**MEETING DATE, TIME, and AGENDA**

The next meeting of the Committee will take place on Friday, February 5, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Commission’s headquarters building, Commission Meeting Room TW-C305, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554.

At its February 5, 2015 meeting, the Committee is expected to consider a recommendation regarding the modernization of the Lifeline program to include broadband services and to improve administration presented by its Universal Services Working Group. The Committee will receive briefings from commission staff and/or outside speakers on issues of interest to the Committee.

A limited amount of time will be available on the agenda for comments from the public. If time permits, the public may ask questions of presenters via the email address livequestions@fcc.gov or via Twitter using the hashtag #fcclive. In addition, the public may also follow the meeting on Twitter @fcc or via the Commission’s Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/fcc](http://www.facebook.com/fcc). Alternatively, members of the public may send written comments to: Scott Marshall, Designated Federal Officer of the Committee at the address provided below. Alternatively, members of the public may send written comments to: Scott Marshall, Designated Federal Officer of the Committee at the address provided below.

The meeting is open to the public and the site is fully accessible to people using wheelchairs or other mobility aids. Sign language interpreters, open captioning, assistive listening devices, and Braille copies of the agenda and committee roster will be provided on site. Meetings of the Committee are also broadcast live with open captioning over the Internet from the FCC Live web page at [www.fcc.gov/live/](http://www.fcc.gov/live/).

Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. The request should include a detailed description of the accommodation needed and contact information. Please provide as much advance notice as possible; last minute requests will be accepted, but may not be possible to fill. To request an accommodation, send an email to [fcc504@fcc.gov](file:///D%3A%5CUsers%5CBrittany.Gomes%5CAppData%5CLocal%5CMicrosoft%5CWindows%5CTemporary%20Internet%20Files%5CContent.Outlook%5CMWGRFQ7L%5Cfcc504%40fcc.gov) or call the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY).

For further information about the Committee, contact: Scott Marshall, Designated Federal Officer, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, Room 3-A633, 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554; phone: 202-418-2809 (voice or Relay); email: scott.marshall@fcc.gov.

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