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CHAIRMAN PAI ANNOUNCES NEW BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR AND NEW MEMBER

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This Public Notice announces that, consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act,¹ Chairman Ajit Pai has made two appointments to the Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee (BDAC). First, Chairman Pai has appointed BDAC member Elizabeth Bowles to serve as Chair of the BDAC. Ms. Bowles is President and Chairman of the Board of Aristotle, Inc., an Arkansas-based wireless Internet service provider. “I am thrilled to have Elizabeth step into the role of BDAC chair,” Chairman Pai said. “She has made great contributions to the BDAC and its working groups already, and she brings to the table a combination of talents and expertise that will serve her well in this new role. I thank her in advance for her leadership of the BDAC as it develops recommendations to accelerate broadband deployment and close the digital divide.” Ms. Bowles replaces Elizabeth Pierce, who has resigned from the BDAC for personal reasons. “I want to thank Elizabeth for her service,” Chairman Pai said. “She did an excellent job leading the BDAC through its first two public meetings. I am sorry to see her go and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.”

In addition, the Chairman has appointed Larry Hanson, a member of the BDAC’s Model Code for Municipalities working group, to serve on the BDAC. Mr. Hanson represents the City of Valdosta, Georgia, where he is city manager. “I am very pleased that Larry will be joining the full BDAC,” Chairman Pai said. “He has played a valuable role at the working group level in developing a municipal model code, and his experience and perspective will make him a great addition to the BDAC as it works toward final recommendations.”

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¹ See 5 U.S.C. App. 2.