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FCC ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC FORUM ABOUT USE OF ENHANCED ELECTRONIC NEWSROOM TECHNIQUE (ENT) TO CAPTION LIVE PROGRAMMING

The Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (CGB) of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will host a forum regarding the use of enhanced Electronic Newsroom Technique (ENT) procedures for live captioning of local news programming on Friday, May 10, 2019, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m., Eastern Time. The event will be held in the Commission Meeting Room at FCC Headquarters, 445 12th Street, SW, Room TW-C305, Washington, DC 20554.

The event will be open to the public, but admittance will be limited to available seating. The event also will be webcast with open captioning at www.fcc.gov/live. On the day of the event, audience members may ask questions in person or by e-mail to livequestions@fcc.gov. Updates to the agenda, as well as presentation materials, will be made available on the event webpage at <https://www.fcc.gov/news-events/events/2019/05/enhanced-ent-forum>.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

- 1:00 p.m. **Welcoming Remarks**
Patrick Webre, Bureau Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (CGB)
- 1:05 p.m. **Overview of the Commission's Enhanced ENT Requirements**
Suzy Rosen Singleton, Chief, CGB Disability Rights Office (DRO)
- Status of the Implementation of the Enhanced ENT Rules**
Theodore Marcus, Deputy Chief, DRO, CGB
- 1:45 p.m. **Enhanced ENT Implementation: Industry Challenges and Solutions**
Moderator: *Eliot Greenwald*, Deputy Chief, DRO, CGB
Panelists:
- *R. Lantz Croft*, News Operations Manager, WBRC-TV/Birmingham, Alabama
 - *Brett Jenkins*, Executive Vice President, Chief Technology Officer, Nexstar Media Group, Inc.
 - *Christian Vogler*, Director, Technology Access Program, Gallaudet University
 - *Kelly Williams*, Senior Director of Engineering and Technology Policy, National Association of Broadcasters
- 3:00 p.m. **Break**
- 3:15 p.m. **Stakeholder Collaboration to Implement Enhanced ENT Best Practices**
Moderator: *Debra Patkin*, Attorney Advisor, DRO, CGB
Panelists:
- *Zainab Alkebsi*, Policy Counsel, National Association of the Deaf

- *Dan Carpenter*, Regional Engineering Manager, Sinclair Broadcast Group
- *Lise Hamlin*, Director of Public Policy, Hearing Loss Association of America
- *Joshua Pila*, General Counsel, Local Media, Meredith Corporation
- *Claude Stout*, Executive Director, Telecommunications for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Inc.

4:30 p.m.

Closing Remarks & Adjourn

Theodore Marcus, Deputy Chief, DRO, CGB

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Sign language interpreters, open captioning, and assistive listening devices will be provided on site. Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. 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).

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FURTHER INFORMATION

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