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FCC TO HOLD POLICY AND PROCEDURES REVIEW AT FEBRUARY AGENDA MEETING

Washington, DC – FCC chairman Michael K. Powell announced today that the agency's regularly scheduled monthly meeting on February 22, 2001, will focus on a comprehensive review of FCC policies and procedures by the Commissioners and senior agency officials.

Powell said eight FCC bureau and office chiefs will report on their internal management procedures and current regulatory issues, to be followed by questions and dialogue with the Commissioners. He said this broad policy and procedures discussion will be in lieu of the Commission taking up individual agenda items at the February meeting.

Powell said, "I think the monthly meeting is a good forum for the Commission to publicly take stock of how well we are organized to be as responsive as possible to the issues and needs of the industries under the purview of the FCC. I look forward to an informative and stimulating dialogue between the Commissioners and our excellent staff."

Powell said the presentations will be made in two panels:

Panel One consisting of the chiefs of the Wireless Bureau (Tom Sugrue), Common Carrier Bureau (Dorothy Attwood), Enforcement Bureau (David Solomon) and Consumer Information Bureau (Rod Porter, Acting), and

Panel Two consisting of the Chiefs of the Office of Engineering and Technology (Bruce Franca, Acting), International Bureau (Don Abelson), Mass Media Bureau (Roy Stewart) and Cable Services Bureau (Deborah Lathen).

The FCC's Open Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 22, 2001 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission meeting room, 445 12th Street, S.W. , Washington, DC.