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JULIUS KNAPP NAMED DEPUTY CHIEF OF OET

Washington, DC -- Michael K. Powell, Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, today announced that Julius P. Knapp has been selected to serve as a Deputy Chief of the Commission's Office of Engineering and Technology. Knapp is currently Chief of the Policy and Rules Division in OET and oversees spectrum allocations and technical rules for radio frequency devices as well as coordination of radiofrequency issues with the Federal Government.

Acting OET Chief, Bruce A. Franca said on Julie's appointment, "I am very pleased that Julie has been selected to be Deputy Chief of the Office of Engineering and Technology. Julie is an outstanding engineer and his technical and policy expertise are a tremendous asset to the office. Julie and I have worked closely together for many years and I am excited to work with him in his new capacity."

Prior to assuming his current position in 1997, Mr. Knapp served as the Chief of the FCC laboratory from 1992 to 1997 where he was responsible for the FCC's equipment authorization program. Mr. Knapp has held a variety of other positions during his twenty-six years with the FCC, including heading the Frequency Allocations Branch in the late 1980's where he was responsible for FCC frequency allocation proceedings for the cellular service, private land mobile services, and mobile satellite services.

Mr. Knapp is the winner of this year's Eugene C. Bowler Award, presented annually to an outstanding government employee. He has also been the recipient of both the FCC's Gold and Silver Medals for his outstanding service and commitment to the Commission.

Mr. Knapp received a Bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the City College of New York in 1974. He is also a member of the Institute of Electronics and Electrical Engineers, Inc. Electromagnetic Compatibility Society and is a Fellow of the Radio Club of America.

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