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Statement of FCC Chairman Michael K. Powell on the **Introduction of the FCC Reauthorization Act of 2003**

I applaud and support Senator McCain's introduction of the FCC Reauthorization Act of 2003.

The bill contains several provisions that I have long advocated. Increased enforcement authority and penalties, clarifications to the biennial review standard and timing, and important bankruptcy provisions will make the FCC a more effective agency.

I look forward to working with the Senate Commerce Committee on these and other important telecommunications issues.