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## FCC Do-Not-Call Rules Remain in Force

Enforcement Begins October 1

FCC Chairman Michael K. Powell issued the following statement before today's scheduled Do-Not-Call legislation signing ceremony with President George W. Bush:

"The FCC will enforce its Do-not-call rules against telemarketers that have obtained the Do-Not-Call list from the FTC, beginning Wednesday. The FCC rules complement and expand on those of the FTC. FCC rules have not been disturbed by recent court cases. Last week, the  $10^{th}$  Circuit Court of Appeals refused to block the rules pending review—as the telemarketing industry had urged—citing the strong public interest of leaving the rules in place. The Commission intends to continue to administer and enforce its rules to the fullest extent possible as the litigation proceeds.

"The Commission remains committed and determined to defend the choices of the American people."