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FCC OFFICE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY ANNOUNCES SEVERAL PERSONNEL PROMOTIONS

Washington, DC – Edmond J. Thomas, Chief of the Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) at the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), made the following personnel promotions:

Ira Keltz has been promoted to Chief, Electromagnetic Compatibility Division. Mr. Keltz has been Deputy Chief of OET's Policy and Rules Division since June 2002. As Deputy Chief, Mr. Keltz has managed a variety of spectrum policy rulemakings, most notably, the Advanced Wireless Services (3G) proceeding, implementing World Radiocommunication Conference allocations, and proceedings relating to Part 15 unlicensed devices. In addition, Mr. Keltz served as the FCC's liaison to the federal government's Interdepartmental Radio Advisory Committee (IRAC), which helps set federal government spectrum policy.

Since joining the Commission in 1994, Mr. Keltz has also held positions within the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, where he managed the implementation of the Bureau's Universal Licensing System and worked on issues related to both private and commercial radio services. Prior to the FCC, Mr. Keltz held positions with Loral Advanced Projects and LSA, Inc. Mr. Keltz received a M.S.E. in Electrical Engineering from George Washington University and a B.S.E. in Electrical Engineering from the University of Michigan.

Jamison S. Prime has been promoted to Chief, Spectrum Policy Branch, Policy and Rules Division. Mr. Prime joined OET in 2001 and since that time has worked on a number of reallocation issues, including Advanced Wireless Services (3G) and DTV implementation. From 1997 to 2001, he worked in the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau as an attorney in the former Public Safety and Private Wireless Division on evaluation of transfer and assignment of Commission licenses and on antenna structure registration matters and, on detail, as a legal advisor in the bureau front office.

Prior to joining the Commission, Mr. Prime worked for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation in Chicago and was in private legal practice in Indiana. Mr. Prime received a B.A. in history from DePauw University and a J.D. from the Indiana University School of Law. While studying at Indiana, served as a member of the student editorial board of and was

published in the Federal Communications Law Journal (FCLJ). Currently, Mr. Prime is a member of the Federal Communications Bar Association's editorial advisory board to the FCLJ.

Ronald J. Chase has been promoted to Chief, Technical Analysis Branch, Electromagnetic Compatibility Division. Since joining the Commission in 2000, Mr. Chase has been a senior electrical engineer. His primary responsibilities included the development of UWB operational rules, and EM modeling and simulation activities supporting the development of rules for broadband over power line communications. He serves as the FCC's representative on the Government Executive Committee of the Electromagnetic Code Consortium (EMCC). In 2002, he was appointed to head the U.S. delegation on the development of recommendations for administrations on ultra-wideband communications.

Prior to the FCC, Mr. Chase held positions in the Army's Harry Diamond Laboratory (now the Army Research Laboratory or ARL), where he worked as a research scientist for 26 years. Early on in his career at the lab, he worked on assessing and protecting communication assets to high altitude electromagnetic pulse and was the field test director for the Army's Generic Verification facility. He led several multidisciplinary efforts including studies of the reliability of the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) for National Communications Systems, and the environmental assessment of the ARL Woodbridge facility. More recently, his work at the lab involved establishing a radar signature prediction capability employing the best national electromagnetic codes supported by the Army's high performance computing assets.

Mr. Chase received a B.S.E. in Electrical Engineering and a M.S. in Physics from the University of Maryland. He also received a Professional degree in Electrophysics from the George Washington University. He is a member of the Institute for Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE), Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM), American Institute of Physics (AIP), American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT), Mathematical Association of America (MAA), American Physical Society (APS), Amateur Radio Relay League (ARRL), Tau-Beta-Pi, and Eta-Kappa-Nu.