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See MCI v. FCC, 515 F.2d 385 (D.C. Circ 1974).

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FCC TO PARTICIPATE IN 2005 NATIONAL CONSUMER PROTECTION WEEK – FEBRUARY 6 – 12

*Activities to Include Daily Consumer Information on Website and Joint Activities with
Other Government Agencies*

Washington, DC -- President Bush has declared February 6 – 13 “National Consumer Protection Week (NCPW),” a time dedicated to educating consumers about unfair practices that affect their lives daily. This year’s theme is “Fraud: When Fact Becomes Fiction.”

Michael K. Powell, Chairman of the FCC, said, “In a competitive marketplace, consumers not only need choice in telecommunications products and services, but also truthful and accurate information. I am delighted to join the President in highlighting our commitment to consumers.”

On its Web site each day during NCPW the FCC will identify one particular scam or fraud in the communications arena and post tips for avoiding it. The subjects will include cell phone fraud, Internet modem switch scams, and voice mail fraud.

On February 6, the FCC, and other members of the Steering Committee that plans the NCPW, kicked off the week by joining the Federal Trade Commission at Union Station in Washington, D.C., to distribute information about the issue of fraud and identity theft.

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