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MEDIA SECURITY AND RELIABILITY COUNCIL TO MEET FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2006

Washington, D.C. – The FCC’s Media Security and Reliability Council (MSRC) will meet on Friday, March 10, 2006 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., at the Federal Communications Commission, in the Commission Meeting Room at 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C.

This will be MSRC’s final meeting under its present charter. The work product of MSRC II during the past two years has been impressive. It includes:

- Local Television Station Model Vulnerability Assessment Checklist (November 16, 2004)
- Local Radio Station Model Vulnerability Assessment Checklist (November 16, 2004)
- Local Cable System Model Vulnerability Assessment Checklist (November 16, 2004)
- Direct Broadcast Satellite System Model Vulnerability Assessment Checklist (November 16, 2004)
- Guide to Establishing Local Coordination of Emergency Communication Systems (June 2005)
- Local Television Station Model Disaster Recovery Plan & Incident Response Manual (November 30, 2005)
- Local Radio Station Model Disaster Recovery Plan & Incident Response Manual (November 30, 2005)
- Local Cable System Model Disaster Recovery Plan & Incident Response Manual (November 30, 2005)
- Direct Broadcast Satellite System Model Disaster Recovery Plan & Incident Response Manual (November 30, 2005)
- Local Market Cooperative Emergency Response Plan (March 2006)

During the March meeting, the Local Coordination Working Group will report on local media and public safety initiatives now taking place in Wisconsin, Florida, North Carolina and Oklahoma. The Toolkit Working Group will propose to the Council its draft Local Market Cooperative Emergency Response Plan.

MSRC was formed following the events of September 11, 2001, in order to study, develop and report on best practices designed to assure the optimal reliability, robustness and security of the broadcast and multichannel video programming distribution industries. MSRC I developed over 100 Best Practices recommendations. The Council was re-chartered in June 2004 and is currently chaired by David J. Barrett, President and Chief Executive Officer of Hearst-Argyle Television, Inc. Mr. Barrett has successfully lead the Council in developing the “tools” listed above to implement the work of MSRC I. MSRC is comprised of leaders of mass media companies, cable television and satellite service providers, trade associations, public safety representatives, manufacturers and other related entities.

Further information concerning the activities of MSRC can be viewed at: www.mediasecurity.org and www.fcc.gov/MSRC. Material relevant to the March 10 meeting will be posted at these sites.

Meeting Details:

Members of the general public may attend the meeting. The public may submit written comments before the meeting to Barbara Kreisman, the Commission’s Designated Federal Officer for MSRC.

Audio/Video coverage of the meeting will be broadcast live over the Internet from the FCC’s Audio/Video Events web page at www.fcc.gov/realaudio.

Open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Include a description of the accommodation you will need including as much detail as you can. Also include a way we can contact you if we need more information. Make your request as early as possible; please allow at least 5 days advance notice. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill. Send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty)

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