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## **FCC RELEASES AGENDA FOR APRIL 29, 2008, STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP ON TEN-DIGIT NUMBERING SOLUTIONS FOR INTERNET-BASED TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY SERVICES**

The Commission has released the agenda for the April 29, 2008, Stakeholder Workshop on solutions for implementing a ten-digit numbering plan for Internet-based forms of telecommunications relay service (TRS), including Video Relay Service (VRS) and IP Relay.<sup>1</sup> The Stakeholder Workshop will run from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at FCC Headquarters, 445 12<sup>th</sup> St., SW, Washington, DC. The agenda is attached.

Participants will include industry stakeholders, consumer advocates, technical experts, and emergency call handling representatives. The Stakeholder Workshop is open to the public and seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Stakeholder Workshop will be webcast live and also archived for later viewing. Access to the webcast, and additional information concerning the webcast, is available at <http://www.fcc.gov/realaudio/>. Open captioning will be provided for the webcast. During the workshop, the public can e-mail questions for the participants to [numberingworkshop@fcc.gov](mailto:numberingworkshop@fcc.gov).

Pursuant to section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, the Stakeholder Workshop is part of a permit-but-disclose proceeding in which *ex parte* presentations are subject to disclosure. Notice of the Stakeholder Workshop and information on accessing the webcast will be placed in the public record.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See *FCC to Hold Workshop on Solutions for Implementing Ten-Digit Telephone Numbering for Internet-Based Telecommunications Relay Services on April 29, 2008*, News Release (April 4, 2008).

<sup>2</sup> See *Telecommunications Relay Services And Speech-To-Speech Services For Individuals With Hearing And Speech Disabilities, E911 Requirements For IP-Enabled Service Providers*, CG Docket No. 03-123, WC Docket No. 05-196, Report and Order, 2008 WL 754912 (March 19, 2008).

**More Information**

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**Numbering Solutions Stakeholder Workshop**  
**April 29, 2008**  
**9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

The format of the workshop will be a roundtable discussion and will include industry stakeholders, consumer advocates, technical experts, and emergency call handling representatives. The agenda for the workshop follows below.

**9:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Opening Remarks**

**9:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Welcome and Introduction**

Cathy Seidel, Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau

**10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Overview of the Numbering Proposals on the Record**

Industry representatives will provide a detailed overview of the specific numbering proposals submitted to the record to date.

Facilitator: Nick Alexander, Wireline Competition Bureau

**12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch**

**1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. The Consumers' Perspective**

Consumer representatives will share their feedback and responses to the numbering proposals submitted to the record to date. Questions from the audience will be invited.

Facilitators: Nicole McGinnis, Deputy Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau  
Julie Veach, Deputy Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau

**2:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. Break**

**2:15 p.m. – 3:20 p.m. Roundtable Discussion on Technical and Operational Issues**

Industry representatives and technical experts will discuss the technical and operational issues posed by the specific numbering proposals submitted to the record to date. Such issues include consumers' access to telephone numbers, number portability, privacy of consumer information, emergency call handling, routing database management, cost, and speed of implementation. Questions from the audience will be invited.

Facilitators: Dana Shaffer, Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau

**3:20 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Closing Remarks**

Cathy Seidel, Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau