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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION TO HOST PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS SUMMIT ON SEPTEMBER 16TH

Washington, D.C. – The Federal Communications Commission’s Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (Bureau) today announced that it will host a Summit on Pandemic Preparedness: *Enhancing Communications Response for Health Care and First Responders*, to be held on Tuesday, September 16, 2008, 9:00 a.m. – 1:15 p.m., in the Commission Meeting Room (TW-C305).

The Summit will focus on communications and coordination between the health care sector, first responders, government and industry in preparation for a pandemic. The panel discussions will also highlight ways that communications may be expanded and enhanced in response to a pandemic and how the communications industry will serve an instrumental role in such a response.

The Summit will be open to the public; admittance however will be limited to the seating available. Those individuals who are interested in attending may pre-register on-line at: <http://www.fcc.gov/pshs/summits/pandemic> . Those who pre-register will be asked to provide their name, title, organization affiliation, and contact information. Individuals may also contact Sue Gilgenbach at 202-418-0639 regarding pre-registration. The deadline for pre-registration is Friday, September 12, 2008. Audio/Video coverage of the meeting will be broadcast live with open captioning over the Internet from the FCC's web page at www.fcc.gov/realaudio . The FCC’s web cast is free to the public and does not require pre-registration.

Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities are available upon request. Please, include a description of the accommodation you will need. Individuals making such request must include their contact information should FCC staff need to contact them for more information. Requests should be made as early as possible. Please send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau: 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY).

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