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FCC Announces Participation in Defense Department Work Assignment Program for Wounded Veterans

Washington, DC – The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) today announced its commitment to participate in the U.S. Department of Defense's (DOD's) Operation Warfighter Program, a temporary assignment/internship program for Armed Service members who are undergoing rehabilitation therapy at military treatment facilities in the United States. Through the program, military service men and women will be working between 15 and 30 hours per week for two to three months at the FCC.

DOD developed Operation Warfighter to assist wounded soldiers with their rehabilitation. The goal of the program is to place the wounded warriors in supportive work settings outside of the hospital/treatment center that positively impacts their recuperation process. The program provides participants with meaningful activity outside of the hospital environment that assists in their wellness and offers a formal means of transition back to the military or civilian workforce.

Since 2006, 235 successful placements have been made through the 80 participating federal agencies. The soldiers receive compensation from DOD.

For additional information about the Operation Warfighter Program, press inquiries should be directed to Robert Kenny at 202-418-2668 or Clyde Ensslin at 202-418-0506.