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FCC ANNOUNCES TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER 4TH OPEN MEETING

Washington, D.C. – Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Chairman Kevin J. Martin has circulated the following items for consideration by his fellow FCC Commissioners as part of the tentative agenda for the next open meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 4, 2008:

Intercarrier Compensation and Universal Service Program Reform

- A Report and Order, Order on Remand, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking addressing the comprehensive reform of intercarrier compensation and universal service.

Spectrum Licensing

- An Order addressing the Auction 73 applications of Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless and Union Telephone Company.

Mergers

- A Memorandum Opinion and Order addressing the applications filed by Atlantis Holdings and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for approval of the transfer of control of licenses, authorizations and leasing arrangements through the transfer of control of subsidiaries and partnerships controlled by ALLTEL.
- A Memorandum Opinion and Order addressing the applications filed by Sprint Nextel and Clearwire for approval of the transfer of control of licenses, authorizations and leasing arrangements held by Sprint Nextel and its subsidiaries to New Clearwire.

Television White Spaces

- A Second Report and Order and Memorandum Opinion and Order addressing unlicensed operation in the television broadcast bands.

Digital Television

- An Order adopting rules for the use of distributed transmission system (“DTS”) technologies in the digital television service.

Closed Captioning/Digital Programming

- An Order addressing the closed captioning of digital programming and several other closed captioning issues.

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