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FCC ANNOUNCES TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR JANUARY 15 OPEN MEETING

Washington, D.C. – Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Chairman Kevin Martin said today that as part of the tentative agenda for the next FCC open agenda meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 15, 2009 the FCC will consider one item related to the Digital Television Transition (DTV). The item is described below.

DTV "Analog Nightlight Act"

• Rules to implement The Short-term Analog Flash and Emergency Readiness Act ("Analog Nightlight Act" or "Act")¹ to "encourage and permit" continued analog TV service after the February 17, 2009 DTV transition date.

The Meeting also will include presentations by senior agency officials regarding implementations of the agency's strategic plan and a comprehensive review of FCC policies and procedures.

Topics selected for open meeting agendas are made public and posted on the Commission's website approximately three weeks prior to the Commission's next monthly meeting. The Commission will continue to issue a public notice of the "Commission Meeting Agenda" one week before the meeting and announce at that time the items that are scheduled for the agenda.

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¹ See Short-term Analog Flash and Emergency Readiness Act ("Analog Nightlight Act" or "Act"), S. 3663, 110th Cong., as enacted December 23, 2008.