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Commission Meeting Agenda

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FCC TO HOLD OPEN COMMISSION MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2009

The Federal Communications Commission will hold an Open Meeting on Thursday, March 5, 2009, which is scheduled to commence at 9:30 a.m. in Room TW-C305, at 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C.

- The meeting will include presentations and discussion by senior agency officials as well as industry, consumer groups and others involved in the Digital Television Transition.
- Congress has set June 12, 2009 as the final deadline for terminating full-power analog broadcasts. The purpose of the meeting is to educate and inform the Commission and the public about the digital television transition, including the partial transition on February 17, 2009, when some full-power broadcast television stations stopped broadcasting in analog and began broadcasting in digital only.

Agenda and Witness List:

9:30 am **Opening Statements by Chairman and Commissioners**

9:45 am **Overview**

Gary Epstein

10:00 am **Panel 1: FCC and NTIA Reports on the Events of February 17, 2009 and Future Plans**

Eloise Gore, Associate Bureau Chief, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission

Andrew Martin, Chief Information Officer, Federal Communications Commission

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Cathy Seidel, Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission

Patrick Webre, Legal Advisor, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission

Julius Knapp, Chief, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission

Dr. Bernadette McGuire-Rivera, Associate Administrator, Office of Telecommunications and Information Applications, National Telecommunications and Information Administration

10:45 am **Break**

11:00 am **Panel 2: Industry and Consumer Group Reports on the Events of February 17, 2009 and Future Plans**

David Rehr, President and CEO, National Association of Broadcasters

Kyle McSllarrow, President and CEO, National Cable & Telecommunications Association

David Donovan, President, MSTV

Gene Kimmelman, Vice President for Federal and International Affairs, Consumers Union

Christopher A. McLean, Executive Director, Consumer Electronics Retailers Coalition

Mark Lloyd, Vice President for Strategic Initiatives, Leadership Conference on Civil Rights and Leadership Conference on Civil Rights Education Fund

Sandy Markwood, Chief Executive Officer, National Association of Area Agencies on Aging

11:45 am **Closing Statements/Adjournment**

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