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## FCC TO HOLD NOV. 30 FIELD HEARING AT MIT ON ENERGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

The Federal Communications Commission will hold a field hearing at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology focusing on how broadband can help the nation achieve its energy and environmental goals, including energy independence, greenhouse gas emissions reductions and clean energy generation. The public is encouraged to attend and participate. Additional information on the agenda will be announced shortly.

WHAT: FCC Field Hearing on Energy and the Environment WHEN: Monday November 30, 2009, 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. WHERE: MIT Stratton Student Center, Twenty Chimneys

84 Massachusetts Avenue Cambridge, MA 02139

The FCC is convening a series of hearings to promote an open dialogue between the FCC and the public on development of a National Broadband Plan. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 directed the FCC to submit a National Broadband Plan to Congress by February 17, 2010 that addresses broadband deployment, adoption, affordability, and the use of broadband to advance solutions to national priorities, including health care, education, energy, public safety, job creation, investment, and others.

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